



White Flower Farm
The Compleat Nursery

Litchfield, Connecticut Autumn, 1954



# Notes and Comments

John Tonkin, General Manager

Narcissi: A remarkable new Daffodil, Apricot Attraction, is announced this year. (Page 4.) Coloring is unique—petals are a delicate apricot, the cup frilled red. Apricot Attraction is a must for any fancier, and if you're interested we advise ordering immediately, for stocks are extremely short. We also call your attention to three White Flower Farm 1953 Daffodil Introductions—Milk and Cream, Supreme, and Shirley Temple. They are superb.

Tulips: Our 1954 Trials (200 varieties) were satisfactory enough, but we found no oustanding new varieties. Truly great Tulips don't pop up like weeds. See Renown and Blizzard introduced last year.

Prices of Tulips are generally down. This applies to one of our favorites, Black Parrot. Twenty-five of these in a bed (plant on about 8" centers) will be sensational and quite inexpensive. (See Page 2.)

Botanical Tulips: There are few nurseries that carry so many of these by named varieties. (Page 3.) We are pleased to report that our customers have found them, without exception, perfect for naturalizing in dry, sunny locations. Most bloom before or with Daffodils. Botanicals form permanent plantings.

Crocus: Yellow crocus is in short supply again this year. Please order now. Others are abundant (Page 3.)

Hyacinth: As usual, we offer only the cream of this crop—huge bulbs. It's silly to grow anything else. Remember this one major point about planting Hyacinth: don't put them where water can stand on them. They are guaranteed to rot out, if you do. (Page 3.)

Fraises des Bois: Yes, you can plant these wild French strawberries with perfect safety in the fall, and if you do, you'll get a longer fruiting season next year. We deliver pot-grown plants with which you will have no difficulty. Spring customers, by the way, have been ecstatic about these varieties—"Taste just like real Fraises des Bois", they say. Well, they'd jolly well better—they are Fraises des Bois.

Be sure to get your order in early for Fraises; pottedplant stock is limited. Note: if you don't order Fraises this fall, better order now for Spring, 1955, delivery. We had to refuse many, many orders this spring.

Hybrid Peonies: If you want truly different Peonies for yourself (or for a gift to that person who has everything) we recommend our Hybrids on Page 14. Their vivid colors literally take your breath away.

Warmenhoven Amaryllis: These sensational winter-flowering house plants had a great deal of publicity last year. (Page 6.) This is somewhat too bad, for demand has always exceeded the supply of the fine Warmenhoven strain. This is particularly true of the named hybrids—only twenty-five of each will be brought into the U.S. this year (all we could buy from the originator). Named or unnamed Warmenhoven Amaryllis make lasting (and inexpensive) Christmas gifts. You'll be glad to know that we have solved the problem of shipping Amaryllis potted—makes a more satisfactory gift delivered this way. It's early, we admit, to be thinking about Christmas—but think at least this far ahead and send in orders now (with your gift cards) so that you won't be disappointed later on.

Lilies: These invariably arrive after customers in northern localities are frozen in. (Page 7.) Few far-north gardeners, consequently, have ever had fine lilies. Here's a suggestion—plant bulbs in six to eight inch pots—one to each pot. Water well, put them outside and cover the pots with two feet of hay (sides and top, and weighted down so it won't blow away). The bulb will root in before the cold penetrates the hay. In the spring knock the earth ball out of the pot carefully and plant. Simple, isn't it?

The Partners of White Flower Farm

# INDEX

| Acer                                | Hydrangea  |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Ajuga 8                             | Hypericum  |
| Althea                              | Iberis   |
| Alyssum 8                           | llex   |
| Amaryllis 6                         | Iris   |
| Anchusa                             | Bulbous  |
| Andromeda                           | Bulbous  |
| Anthemis 8                          | Pumila   |
| Aquilega 8                          | Sibirica   |
| Arabis 9                            | Spuria   |
| Azalea Mollis                       | Kolkwitzia   |
| Azalea Pontica                      | Lavandula  |
| Baby's Breath                       | Liatris  |
| Balloon Flower                      | Lilacs   |
| Beauty Bush                         |  |
| Bleeding Heart                      | Lilies   |
| Candytuft 12                        | Lupine   |
| Candytuft 12 Caryopteris 17         | Mallow   |
| Chionodova 7                        | Malus  |
| Chrysanthemum Max 9                 | Maple  |
| Clethra Alnifolia                   | Marguerite   |
| Columbine 8                         | Museesi  |
| Cornus                              | Muscari  |
| Cotoneaster 18                      | Peonies  |
| Crocus                              | Philadelphia   |
| Cydonia                             | Philadelphus   |
| Daffodils 4                         | Philox Decussara   |
| Day Lilies                          | Phlox Divaricata   |
| Deutzia 18                          | Phlox Suffruticosa1                                      |
| Dianthus 9                          | Philox Sumruficosa                                       |
| Dicentra 9                          | Plantain Lily  |
| Dictamnus 9                         | Platycodon   |
| Dogwood 20                          | Polygonum  |
| Doronicum 9                         |  |
| Eranthis 7                          | Potentilla   |
| Eremurus 3                          | P Will   |
| Euonymus 17                         | Pussy Willow 1<br>Pyracantha 2                           |
| Einsthaus 20                        | Pyrethrum  |
| Firethorn 20<br>Flowering Almond 18 | Rhododendron 2   |
| Flowering Fence                     | Rest   |
| Forsythia 19                        | Rock-cress Rose of Sharon                                |
| Fraises des Bois                    | Salix  |
| Fritillaria 6                       | Scabiosa   |
| Funkia 10                           | Scilla Campanulata                                       |
| Gaillardia 10                       | Scilla Sibarian  |
| Gaillardia                          | Sadim Siberica   |
| Garden Gadgets 16                   | Scilla Siberica Sedum 1 Shasta Daisy Spiraea (Astilbe) 1 |
| Gas Plant 9                         | Spinner (Antilba)  |
| Germander                           | Stokesia   |
| Geum 10                             | Sugat Williams   |
| Geum 10<br>Gift Certificates 7      | Sweet William  |
| Gift Certificates                   | Tuline   |
| Grass Seed                          | Tulips   |
| Gypsophila                          | Botanicals   |
| Hawthorn 20                         | Darwins, etc.  |
| Helleborous                         | Parrots  |
| Heuchera                            | Peony-flowered Viburnum .1                               |
| Hibiscus10                          | VIDURNUMI  |
| History                             | Weigela2   |

# We Would Like to Have You Read This

We advertise in the garden magazines and THE NEW YORKER and get a surprising lot of answers. However, our old customers are the best source of new customers, probably for the easy reason that their friends have similar tastes. These old customers are a remarkable group—they buy from descriptions from which superlatives have been deleted; they don't see a picture; they demand high quality. However, they drop out for a number of reasons—some move from country to city apartment, others tour Europe during a growing season, others are such superb gardeners they seldom need new material.

To fill ranks we need to pick up about 750 new accounts every year. No more than that.

No more than that because this nursery is not dedicated to mass production. We found out long ago that fine plants can be raised only in small lots and with few exceptions we produce everything we offer. Happily you have found out we can produce and sell this kind of stock at reasonable prices. So, if you have some gardening friends you think might like White Flower Farm, we'd be delighted to have their names. There's space provided below. Thanks.

| Name:   |        |   |
|---------|--------|---|
|         |        |   |
| Street: |        |   |
| City:   | State: |   |
|         |        |   |
| Name:   |        |   |
|         |        |   |
| Street: |        |   |
| City:   | State: |   |
|         |        |   |
| Name:   |        |   |
|         |        | _ |
| Street: |        |   |
|         | State: |   |
|         | state: |   |
|         |        |   |
| Name:   |        |   |
| Street: |        |   |
|         |        |   |
| City:   | State: |   |

# What Customers Say

These are unsolicited letters from customers, some old, some new. All right, we will grant they are from a lot of charming enthusiasts who see only the bright side of life, but at the same time you'll have to admit there is a shred of truth in them. Yes, we've had a few caustic letters (we deserved them). We're grateful they are very, very few; can count them on the fingers of one hand each season. That's pretty good, we think.

From Pennsylvania (1953)—"The reason I am writing is to thank everyone at White Flower who had anything to do with the growing and shipping of my plants which arrived yesterday. Precious Wedgewood china could not have been packed with greater care. It is refreshing, in this 'slap-dash' age, to see someone who respects and appreciates the fine art of producing plants like these."

From Illinois (1952)—"The herbs and other plants I ordered from you this spring were such beautiful and sturdy plants and arrived in perfect condition. Never have I had such fine plants from anyone."

From New York City (1953)—"It has been a pleasure, over the past year, to deal with you. Your directness is commendable. The Madison Avenue techniques of others

make us appreciate you more."

From Michigan (1952)—"My first purchase from you was at Christmas last when 1 ordered Warmenhoven Amaryllis bulbs sent as gifts. I have never had gifts cause as much delighted response before. The blossoms were superb—and we have made colored slides to show at our Garden Club this season."

From Wisconsin (1953)—"It's unusual to receive the consideration from nurseries that I did from you. It is certainly appreciated." Note: We relaced three recalcitrant Veronicas, which, by the way, are sometimes mean to transplant.

From Michigan (1953)—"Just a line to let you know that the herbs you shipped me this spring are all doing exceptionally well. I am very pleased with the excellent

stock you shipped."

From Philadelphia (1952)—"The rose bushes arrived in perfect condition and in time for our weekend planting." Note: That weekend planting business was luck. We try, but never know how the Post Office is going to cooperate.

From New York City (1952)—"We are delighted with your monthly cards reminding us of planting time and giving us cultural hints." Note: Six a year, not monthly. We have observed that people like to hear from their children once a month; not that often from this kind of nursery.

From Pennsylvania (1953)—"Your packing is the best I have ever had in 43 yrs. of gardening and your clumps

were beautiful."

From Arkansas (1953)—"I want to tell you how much we liked the tulips and narcissus we bought from you last fall. The flowers were exquisite, and caused much comment. You probably will receive quite a few orders from different people here as many people have wanted the address of the firm from which we received our bulbs." Note: We did.

# The Julip Collection

Most of the following varieties of Tulips were introduced shortly after the war. After undergoing considerable testing here privately they have more than proved themselves adaptable in this climate. In vigor, quality of bloom, in staying power in the garden or bowl—they are in every way superior to pre-war varieties.

This is a remarkable family of bulbs with a wide range of color and form, and those who saw them in exhibition planting this spring told us they didn't know that Tulips like these existed. Plant them six inches deep in a well-drained location and mass them by colors. Mice damage can be largely controlled by edging the planting with 12 inch, small-mesh hardware cloth, leaving 2 inches of it above ground.

# DARWIN, BREEDER & COTTAGE TULIPS

Here by shade of color, The Farm's tested list of great Tulips. Mass them by color, and leave in the same location for two or three years without thinning. The best of those most graceful of Tulips, the Lily-flowered, are also included.

### The Whites

### Blizzard

Three \$1.75; Six \$3.00; Doz. \$5.75
White Flower Farm introduction, 1953. This remarkable alabaster-white Tulip has a huge bloom on the toughest of stems. It is the finest white we have ever seen and a must for Tulip fanciers. 28 inches. Stocks limited. Not more than a dozen to a customer this year, please.

#### **Duke of Wellington**

Six \$1.10; Doz. \$1.85; 25 \$3.30; 100 \$11.75 This is another fine white with cream anther and cream base. Stiff 28 inch stems.

#### Annie Speelman

Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00
A pure white having translucent qualities—base and anthers also white. Lasts two to three weeks in the garden.
Excellent cut flower. 30 inches.

Ivory Glory Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.30; 25 \$4.20; 100 \$15.00
A huge egg-shaped flower—clear ivory-white and a white center. (Cottage) 26 inches.

The Bride Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$13.50 We go all-out for this bride. Creamy-white. Lily-flowered. 23 inches.

White Cross Six \$1.25; Doz. \$2.00; 25 \$3.50; 100 \$12.50 Strikingly large, pure white Lily-flowered, 27 inches.



#### The Red Tones

#### Abraham Lincoln

Six \$2.70; Doz. \$4.85; 25 \$9.25; 100 \$33.00 This remarkable flower does not fade. Color is crimsonmaroon, outer petals darker, the large base is dark blue. 29 inches. Introduced 1952.

Arabian Nights Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.30; 25 \$4.20; 100 \$15.00

A most unusual Indian-red with an even darker overcast.
There is not a variety like it. 28 inches.

Crimson Giant Six \$1.25; Doz. \$2.00; 25 \$3.50; 100 \$12.50

An immense flower of deep crimson-red, 30 inches.

Morocco Beauty Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.30; 25 \$4.20; 100 \$15.00 Clear Moroccan-red; interior a dark reddish mahogany. Yellowish base. 26 inches.

#### Olson's Favorite

Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00 Chinese red to flame red; tones outside are somewhat darker. Margins have orange overtones. 27 inches.

Roman Eagle Six \$1.40; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.55; 100 \$16.25
Rich dark red with a high sheen—almost looks as if it had been polished. Blooms late, 30 inches.

Wallflower Six \$1.45; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.65; 100 \$17.00
Shiny red with clear yellow interior. Five or more flowers to a stem. 27 inches. (Multi-flowered)

Mahogany

Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00

This is a rare color of deep mahogany with an even darker base. Needs to be planted with pure white or yellow companions. 29 inches.

Scarlet O'Hara Six \$1.70; Doz. \$3.25; 25 \$5.75; 100 \$22.00

Goblet-shaped and shaded blood-red; base bronze, edged white. 29 inches.

Mark Anthony Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00

A huge dark mahogany-red. Same color inside and out.
Base purple, anthers black. 30 inches.

Margaux Six \$1.05; Doz. \$1.70; 25 \$3.00; 100 \$11.00

Deep wine-red with lighter wine-red shading. Base blue.
30 inches.

Notre Dame Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00 Clear American Beauty-red with darker undertones. Inside claref-red with a blue sheen, brilliant blue base. 29 inches.

**Spitfire** Six \$2.25; Doz. \$4.10; 25 \$7.50; 100 \$26.00 Brilliant scarlet. Lily-flowered. 25 inches.

#### The Yellow Tones

Dixie Sunshine Six \$1.35, Doz. \$2.40; 25 \$4.35; 100 \$15.50

Outside is soft yellowish tan with pale lilac shading.
Inside of palest yellow to buff-yellow at edges. 28 inches.

Fascinating Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00 Exterior of bright sulphur yellow; interior of dark lemonyellow. 26 inches. (Lilv-flowered)

Niphetos Six \$1.25; Doz. \$2.00; 25 \$3.50; 100 \$12.50
Soft yellow with even lighter yellow base and anthers. It lasts a long time in the garden or cut. 29 inches.

Treasure Island Six \$2.70; Doz. \$4.85; 25 \$9.25; 100 \$33.00

A fine and scarce tulip. The three outside petals are silvery yellow deepening to primrose. The three inside are a shiny deep yellow. Colors do not fade. 30 inches.

#### Mrs. John Scheepers

Six \$1.25; Doz. \$2.00; 25 \$3.50; 100 \$12.50 An enormous oblong flower of clearest chrome-yellow. 30 inches.

Astrachan Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00 Inside is palest dark red shading to golden-bronze; outside is purple, edged gold. 28 inches.

#### Golden Emblem

Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00 Golden blooms of perfect form. Lily-flowered. 25 inches.

#### Golden Measure

Six \$1.25; Doz. \$2.00; 25 \$3.50; 100 \$12.50 Buttercup yellow with slightest tone of red on edges. Very fragrant. Excellent for forcing. 26 inches.

### Blue to Purple Tones

Captain Fryatt Six \$1.40; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.55; 100 \$16.25 Dark ruby-violet, violet-blue center, blue and shading white base. Outstanding Lily-flowered color and type. 24 inches.

Tulips Continued

- Cum Laude Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.30; 25 \$4.15; 100 \$14.75
  Violet-blue with a decided blue overcast, the edges toned lighter. The overall effect from a short distance is that Cum Laude is the bluest of blues. 28 inches.
- Lafayette Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$13.50
  Petunia-violet, base white, edged blue with dark anthers.
  29 inches.

#### Lilac-Violet Tones

- **Drammen** Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$13.75 Soft rosy violet. This is a rare coloring and could have been placed in the pink to rose classification. 27 inches.
- Linette Six \$1.40; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.55; 100 \$16.25

  Clear purplish violet, inside darker with a white base.
  Lilv-flowered. 25 inches.
- Denver Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.35; 25 \$4.25; 100 \$15.25 Immense bloom of soft rose with a violet overcast. 33 inches.
- Mavoureen Six \$1.30; Doz. \$2.15; 25 \$3.75; 100 \$13.00
  Pink with layender tones. Base is nearly blue. 30 inches.

#### Chamois to Brown Tones

- Don Alma <sup>1</sup> Six \$1.40; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.55; 100 \$16.25 A quiet golden brown with lavender shadings. The edges have a narrow margin of tan. Inside is coffee brown with soft buff shadinas. 27 inches.
- Don Eugo Six \$1.40; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.55; 100 \$16.25

  Three-corner and pointed flower of chestnut-brown, lighter at the edges and deeper inside. 24 inches.

#### Pink and Rose Tones

#### Caroline Testout

- Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00 A soft pure, glistening pink having a white base. This is a show flower in its class. 30 inches.
- **Good Gracious** Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$13.75 A translucent salmon pink. 25 inches.
- Gen. de la Rey Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.40; 25 \$4.35; 100 \$15.50

  A large salmon flower shaded lilac-rose and buff. It has a distinct orange center and a cream-white base. 26 inches.
- Rosy Wings Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00

  This is a fine and delicate pink with a Forget-me-not blue base. Its long, 5-inch buds open fully in sunlight. It is earlier than most of the Cattage group but Rosy Wings will last as long as others do. Awarded A.A. by The New York Tulip Society in their 1951 trials. 25 inches.
- Renown
  Three \$2.00; Six \$3.65; Doz. \$6.75
  White Flower Farm Introduction, 1953. Tremendous
  American Beauty colored blooms on 34-inch stems of



great strength. Edges shade lighter in same tone. A must, our friends, a must. Not more than a dozen to a customer this year.

- Rose Mist Six \$1.45; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.65; 100 \$17.00 Multiflowered. A bright rose-pink with four or more blooms per stem. 28 inches.
- Smiling Queen Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.30; 25 \$4.15; 100 \$14.75 Rose-pink blooms with a silvery edge and a white base. Reasonably priced at last 29 inches.
- Mildred Six \$1.45; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.65; 100 \$17.00 Softest rose pink blooms on 26-inch stems. Lily-flowered.
- Break O'Day Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00 Bowl-shaped flower of softest old rose. 28 inches.
- Crabeth Six \$1.40; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.50; 100 \$16.00 Light, rose-pink, edged palest pink. Lily-flowered. 26 inches.
- Wilhelm Tell Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.30; 25 \$4.20; 100 \$15.00

  It's a nearly uniform raspberry-rose, slightly paler at the edge. Rich rose-pink inside. Center is white with black anthers. Height: 26 inches.

#### PARROT TULIPS

These flamboyant flowers should be planted in groups by themselves for the best effect. They have an orchidlike form and the varieties below are the best and clearest colors. As a cut flower they rate high.

- Blue Parrot Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$13.50

  Bright violet over-shaded by steel-blue. Strong 30-inch stem.
- Fantasy Six \$1.00; Doz. \$1.55; 25 \$2.90; 100 \$10.50

  This is a soft rose-pink and the shadings of the cup are of velvet textured rose. 26 inches.
- Ivory Parrot Three \$2.00; Six \$3.75; Doz. \$7.00
  This rare Tulip is cream-white at opening, pure white when developed. Only a few available. 22 inches. Orders limited to twelve to a customer. A 1953 Introduction.
- Texas Gold Six \$1.45; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.65; 100 \$17.00

  This is a sensational new Parrot of clear yellow. The petals are deeply lacerated and the stem is straight and strong. 24 inches.

Black Parrot Six \$1.45; Doz. \$2.60; 25 \$4.75; 100 \$17.50

The blackest of all tulips. Plant with Texas Gold or Ivory Parrot. 26 inches.

Therese Six \$1.30; Doz. \$2.15; 25 \$3.75; 100 \$13.00

Brilliant cochineal-red with green markings on the outside, inside is scarlet with a white center tinted blue. 30 inches.

#### PEONY-FLOWERED TULIPS

These are really double-flowered Cottage Tulips and bloom at the same time. They need a little shade to protect them from brilliant sun. They can hardly be distinguished from giant peonies and all make excellent cut flowers.

Blue Celeste Six \$2.00; Doz. \$3.50; 25 \$6.50; 100 \$23.00 Very large flower of soft violet-purple. 17 inches.

Mount Tacoma Six \$1.25; Doz. \$2.00; 25 \$3.50; 100 \$12.50
A giant double white. 22 inches.

Forever Six \$1.50; Doz. \$2.75; 25 \$5.00; 100 \$18.00 Light rose, highly double, 24 inches.

Brilliant Fire Six \$1.50; Doz. \$2.75; 25 \$5.00; 100 \$18.00 Red with a lighter edging, 24 inches.

Royal Yellow Six \$1.45; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.65; 100 \$17.00 Solid yellow, fully double flower of medium size. Height: 22 inches.

#### SPECIAL TULIP OFFERS

If you want to experiment with this great list of Darwin, Ideal Darwin, Breeder, Cottage, Parrot, Lily and Peony type Tulips here's your opportunity. You can choose any Tulips from this list (rules below) except those varieties marked 1952 or 1953 Introductions. Each variety will be separately marked, and, of course, we guarantee every bulb to bloom.

- You Choose, We Choose Tulip Offer #1 \$1.75
  You choose one each of five varieties; we choose one each of five varieties. Ten bulbs, 10 varieties—value about \$2.50.
- You Choose, We Choose Tulip Offer #2 \$3.25

  As above, but two each of five varieties. Twenty bulbs, 10 varieties—value about \$4.75.
- You Choose, We Choose Tulip Offer #3 \$4.95
  Ditto, but three each of five varieties. Thirty bulbs, 10
  varieties—value about \$7.50.
- You Choose, We Choose Tulip Offer #4 \$8.95

  As before, but six each of five varieties. Sixty bulbs, 10 varieties—value about \$13.50.

### THE BOTANICAL TULIPS

Here are permanent Tulips—good for from 10 to 12 years in a location. Here, also, is something different in Tulips. something every garden doesn't have. Forms range from the exotic to extremely delicate so note descriptions and heights carefully. Some of these bulbs are very small but plant them all at least 7 inches deep and enrich the bottom of the hole with bonemeal. Like all Tulips they require good drainage, full sun. These Botanical (also called Species) Tulips are easy to grow.

Batalinii Six \$3.00; Doz. \$5.75; 25 \$10.75; 100 \$40.00 This native of Bokhara produces a soft chrome yellow flower (deeper yellow center) in April-three or more blooms to a bulb 4 inches

Clusiana Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.30; 25 \$4.15; 100 \$14.75 Small flower on 14-inch stem. It is white inside. The exterior is crimson with a dark blue base. Good cut flower.

Dasystemon Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.35; 25 \$4,25; 100 \$15.25 Canary-yellow and white with eight or more flowers on one stem. From Turkestan, 5 inches,

Eichleri Six 70c; Doz. \$1.20; 25 \$2.20; 100 \$8.00 Large crimson-scarlet flowers with vellow and black centers. 12 inches.

Red Emperor Six \$1.45; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.65; 100 \$17.00 Large rounded vermilion petals with black and vellow bordered base. Blooms before Daffodils, 18 inches

Kaufmanniana Six \$1.40; Doz. \$2.50; 24 \$4.60; 100 \$16.50 Called the water-lily tulip because it is white, vellow and pink outside. The earliest of all tulips to flower, 8 inches. Large flower.

Caesar Franck Six \$2.60; Doz. \$4.65; 25 \$8.50; 100 \$31.00 Brilliant Turkish red with yellow center, 8 inches,

Kolpakowskiana

Six \$2.50; Doz. \$4.50; 25 \$8.25; 100 \$30.00 Deepest yellow, shaded rose on exterior of petals. Flower is long-lasting; a heavy multiplier, 8 inches

Linifolia Six \$3.00; Doz. \$5.75; 25 \$10.75; 100 \$40.00 Brilliant vermilion-red. Four or more flowers to a stem and long lasting, 7 inches,

Marioletti Six 75c; Doz. \$1.35; 25 \$2.55; 100 \$9.25 Soft primrose, shaded carmine-red at the base. Flowers mid-May, 14 inches,

Rockery Beauty Six \$2.15; Doz. \$3.75; 25 \$6.75; 100 \$24.00 Free-flowering and lasting vermilion-red. 8 inches.

Turkestanica Six 70c; Doz. \$1.20; 25 \$2.20; 100 \$8.00 Each bulb produces six or more small white flowers, shaded yellow inside. Blooms in April, 5 inches,

Humilus

Three \$1.75: Six \$3.00: Doz. \$5.75

White Flower Farm 1953 Introduction. Softest purple, A free-flowering bulb from Persia. Exquisite and rare. Only 12 to a customer. 5 inches.

Sylvestris Six 75c: Doz. \$1.35: 25 \$2.55: 100 \$9.25 Sweet-scented wild Tulip. Pure Yellow, outside shaded brown, 8 inches.

Saxatilis Six \$1,20; Doz. \$1,90; 25 \$3,40; 100 \$12,25 A splendid lavender flower with soft yellow base. Blooms in April, Height: 9 inches.

#### SPECIAL OFFER

Use these selections as an economical way to get acquainted with Botanical Tulips. You can buy as many selections at these prices as you wish. Do not include 1953 Introductions-stocks are too limited

You Choose, We Choose Botanical Selection #1 \$2.25 You choose one bulb each of four varieties, we choose one bulb each of four varieties. Eight bulbs, 8 varietiesvalue about \$3.00.

You Choose, We Choose Botanical Selection #2 \$5.95 You choose three bulbs each of four varieties; we choose three bulbs each of four. Twenty-four bulbs, 8 varieties -value about \$7.50.

You Choose, We Choose Botanical Selection #3 \$9.95 As above, but choose six bulbs. Forty-eight bulbs, 8 varieties-value about \$12.50

#### HYACINTHS

Plant these bulbs about 6 inches deep and be positive that drainage is excellent as they are guaranteed to rot out if water stands on them. Otherwise they'll last for years. These are big bulbs-18 to 19 cm-and true to variety. All are splended bulbs for forcing.

Edelweiss, alabaster white; Myosotis, light blue; King of the Blues, dark blue; Deift Blue-well, it's Delft blue; City of Haarlem, bright yellow; La Victorie, carminerose; Princess Irene, softest pink; Princess Margaret. salmon-pink.

Order by variety:

Six \$2.40; Doz. \$4.25; 25 \$7.75; 100 \$27.50

# MUSCARI (Grape Hyacinth)

Armeniacum Six 50c; Doz. 85c; 25 \$1.55; 100 \$5.50 Clear blue giant, excellent bedder.

Botryoides albus Six 55c; Doz. 90c; 25 \$1.65; 100 \$6.25 A delicate pure white.

# SCILLA CAMPANULATA (Hispanica) (Wood Hyacinth or Scotch Blue Bells)

These are all novelties and greatly improved over the commoner forms. They thrive under fir or pine trees which means that you can grow them anywhere. It's another lifetime plant. They make wonderful cut flowers. Our supply is limited; order early.

#### City of Haarlem

Six 60c; Doz. \$1.05; 25 \$1.80; 100 \$7.00 Dark blue.

Heavenly Blue Six 60c; Doz. \$1.05; 25 \$1.80; 100 \$7.00 Pale blue, extra large

Rosabella Six 60c; Doz. \$1.05; 25 \$1.80; 100 \$7.00 A dark pink.

White Giant Six 70c; Doz. \$1.20; 25 \$2.20; 100 \$8.00 A gight white of unusual substance

#### **DUTCH CROCUS**

Crocus, practically the first spring flower, can be planted any place except on a lawn requiring early mowing. Excellent planting location is in vinca or pachysandra beds. Crocus multiply amazingly. Only top sized bulbs are listed below

King of Whites Doz. \$1.05; 25 \$1.80; 100 \$7.00 **Blue Enchantress** Doz. 90c; 25 \$1.65; 100 \$6.00 Yellow Queen Doz. \$1.35; 25 \$2.50;100 \$8.75 White and Purple Stripe Doz. 90c; 25 \$1.65; 100 6.25 **Mixed Crocus** Doz. 90c: 25 \$1.65: 100 \$6.25

# **EREMURUS** (Foxtail Lilies)

These are effective in plant borders, particularly if planted in groups. Giant flower spikes 5 to 8 feet tall. Plant in a sunny, well-drained location. Eremurus flowers in May, and as tops die down quickly they can be overplanted with annuals. This plant is a rooting type of tuber and both roots and tuber are very brittle. Plant six inches deep and entirely surround the tuber and roots with coarse sand.

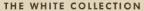
#### Shelford, Hybrids Mixed

Each \$2.50; Three \$6.00; Six \$10.50; Doz. \$17.50 Range of colors is coppery pink-orange, pale yellow and pink mixed. Good for cutting; will last three weeks in water. Once planted, they will bloom for years.

# The Daffodil Collection

Here is the cream of the new imported hybrid Narcissi. All eleven of this great family of bulbs are represented, including the tiny species narcissi which are ideal for the rockery. Plant six or a dozen of a variety in a 36-inch circle, locate them toward mid-front in the perennial border or spot the groups at the edge of shrubs. Put them in north, east, west and south exposures to have a long succession of bloom in the spring. Practically all of these varieties make perfect cut flowers.

Daffodils are easily grown and require no care. Once planted they bloom sturdily year after year. In from 5 to 10 years they will increase five to ten fold or more and some may require thinning. Plant from 6 to 12 inches deep in reasonably good garden soil, enriched perhaps with a handful of bonemeal to each group of bulbs. Cut all the flowers you want but be sure to let the tops die back before removing them. Put bulbs in the ground as soon as received.



This is the finest collection of White Daffodils that has ever been offered. Descriptions do not do justice to the flowers because there are so few modifying adjectives for the word "white"—like black, no two whites are alike, either.

Few people are acquainted with white daffodils—when they see ours in bloom their eyes pop. This is as it should be, for there is nothing quite like them. These varieties are all strong, tall and free-flowering. We advise planting in solid banks for the best effect—between colored varieties.

Beersheba Six \$1.40; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.60; 100 \$16.50

This was one of the first white daffodils offered. It is huge and reliable—a heavy propagator. Opens with a yellow tint that turns white in the garden. Cut, when first opening, it turns alaboster in a few hours.

Cheerfulness Six.,\$1.00; Doz. \$1.55; 25 \$2.90; 100 \$10.50

Never was a flower better named. Clusters of showy double white flowers on exceedingly strong stems. When Cheerfulness first opens there is a suggestion of yellow in the center which soon fodes. It is a late season bloomer; a heavy multiplier.

Daphne Six \$1.20; Doz. \$1.90; 25 \$3.40; 100 \$12.25 Sweet-scented, pure white double, extremely early.

Mount Hood Six \$2.40; Doz. \$4.25; 25 \$7.75; 100 \$27.50

Pure white of great size. (In short supply.)

Thalia Six \$2.00, Doz. \$3.50, 25 \$6.50, 100 \$23.00 Star-shaped, pure white flowers (two to four) on strong, reed-like stems. Particularly good for artistic arrangements. About 20 inches.



Shirley Temple Three \$2.50; Six \$4.75; Doz. \$9.25
Finest double white Narcissus. Introduced in 1953. Extremely rare; only twelve to a customer.

Romaine Six \$2.25; Doz. \$4.00; 25 \$7.00; 100 \$25.00 Huge cream white trumpet on a most rugged stem.

#### SPECIAL OFFER

You Choose, We Choose White Selection #1 \$1.25
You choose one each of any two of the above varieties; we choose one each of three more varieties. Five bulbs, 5 varieties—value about \$1.75.

You Choose, We Choose White Selection #2 \$2.95

Three each of two varieties by you; three each of three varieties by us. Fifteen bulbs, 5 varieties—value about \$4.50.

You Choose, We Choose White Selection #3 \$5.75 Six each of two varieties by you; six each of three varieties by us. Thirty bulbs, 5 varieties—value about \$10.00.

#### NEW PINK TRUMPETS

These are the sensations of the Daffodil world, delicate and completely different. All of them should be planted in partial shade. When the flower first opens, no pink or apricot-pinks are discernible. So don't call us until you've waited a day—pink shadings will be apparent the very next morning. The supply of these varieties is limited so please order early.

Champagne Six \$3.65; Doz. \$6.75; 25 \$12.50; 100 \$47.00 Petals pure white. The large trumpet is a pale cream pink, with a broad apricot-ruffled edge. At full bloom color turns to salmon-pink. Early.

Lady Bird Six \$2.75; Doz. \$5.00; 25 \$9.50; 100 \$35.00

Petals white. Large trumpet is distinctly pink and flaring. A heavy flower on a strong stem.

Louise de Coligny

Three \$2.50; Six \$4.25; Doz. \$8.00

This remarkable pink is a huge flower. Petals reflex and are white. Trumpet shows apricot-pink immediately. Stocks very scarce. Not more than twelve to a customer. 1952 Introduction.

#### Mrs. R. O. Backhouse

Six \$1.75; Doz. \$3.00; 25 \$5.50; 100 \$20.00 The original pink Daffodil. Petals ivory-white, long, deeply fringed trumpet of apricot-pink changing to shell-pink.

Pink Fancy Six \$1.50; Doz. \$2.75; 25 \$5.00; 100 \$18.00

Petals white. Pale apricat cup, broadly fringed with pink.
This is free-flowering and a heavy propagator, which is
the reason it can be offered at this price.

Pink Glory Six \$3.75, Doz. \$7.00; 25 \$13.50; 100 \$50.00 Graceful, lose white petals. Long trumpet opening light Indian yellow, shading fully to pink. This orchid-like flower is a collector's item.

Pink Rim Six \$2.75; Doz. \$5.00; 25 \$9.50; 100 \$35.00

Trim white petals. Very distinct in its trumpet markings with the fringed edge of the cup a deeper pink than the body of the trumpet.

Siam Six \$2.70; Doz. \$4.85; 25 \$9.25; 100 \$33.00

This variety, with white petals and flaring pink trumpet, is the largest flower in the collection.

#### SPECIAL OFFER

You Chaose, We Chaose Pink Selection #1 \$2.95
You chaose three each, any two varieties; we chaose each of three varieties. Five bulbs, five varieties—value about \$3.50.

You Choose, We Choose Pink Selection #2 \$7.95

You choose two each, any three varieties; we choose three each of three varieties. Fifteen bulbs, five varieties—value about \$10.00.

You Choose, We Choose Pink Selection #3 \$15.95 Same as above only six each. Thirty bulbs, five varieties—value about 18.50.

#### EVELYN HYBRID COLLECTION

Every one of these charming Shortcup Narcissi flowers is new and each has its own unusual color and form. None look alike. All seem to be impervious to wind and rain, hence their other name, Weatherproofs. Each multiplies rapidly and they will throw large flowers for 10 to 12 years without thinning.

Brookville Six \$2.00; Doz. \$3.50; 25 \$6.50; 100 \$23.00
A short heavily ruffled cup of pale lemon yellow; heavy, broad white petals.

#### Duke of Windsor

Six \$2.70; Doz. \$4.85; 25 \$9.25; 100 \$33.00 Thick white overlapping petals, cup of pale yellow, very flaring, ruffled and short.

- Emerald Six \$1.75; Doz. \$3.25; 25 \$5.75; 100 \$22.00
  This flower has a greenish yellow overcast of various shades and intensities. Despite this its petals are towards the white, its cup toward a unique lemon yellow.
- Lemon Cup Six \$2.00; Doz. \$3.50; 25 \$6.50; 100 \$23.00

  Petals are broad and soft cream-white; the strongly ruffled flat and flaring crown is very large and of butter-cup yellow inside, broadly edged pale yellow. It is tall, strong, early and free-flowering.
- Leviathan Six \$1.75; Doz. \$3.25; 25 \$5.75; 100 \$22.00

  Creamy white petals curve back slightly; the cup, ruffled, flaring and large, is close to golden-yellow.
- Majarda Six \$1.75; Doz. \$3.25; 25 \$5.75; 100 \$22.00

  Clean white petals and an unusual yellow flaring short cup. Tall grower and excellent cut flower.
- Mary Blonck Six \$1.75; Doz. \$3.25; 25 \$5.75; 100 \$22.00

  Broad white petals and a flaring, fringed canary-yellow cup edged marigold-orange. Heavy propagator.
- Mekkeda Six \$2.40; Doz. \$4.25; 25 \$7.75; 100 \$27.50 Large pale yellow petals with wide cup of deep orange. Heavy propagator.

#### Orange Monarch

Six~\$2.50;~Doz.~\$4.50;~25~\$8.25;~100~\$30.00 Petals of ivory-white. Crown is too big to be believed, flaring and ruffled and brilliant orange.

- Sky Rocket Six \$2.75; Doz. \$5.00; 25 \$9.50; 100 \$35.00 Another of these adjective defying Weatherproofs. Creamwhite petals with tangerine-yellow fringed cup of great size.
- Wodan Six \$2.70; Doz. \$4.85; 25 \$9.25; 100 \$33.00
  Petals are bright canary-yellow. Cup is large and heavily flared and frilled; buttercup-golden, edged orange.
- Granvelle Six \$2.40; Doz. \$4.25, 25 \$7.75; 100 \$27.50
  Canary-yellow petals shading to cream yellow after opening. Cup is huge; self-colored vivid orange and strongly ruffled.
- Manco Six \$2.40; Doz. \$4.25; 25 \$7.75; 100 \$27.50

  Ivory white petals, large frilled crown of a brilliant reddish-orange color. Stem tall and strong, free flowering. Good for forcing.

Times Square

Three \$1.75; Six \$2.75; Doz. \$5.00

Petals are pure white and extremely large. The cup strongly fringed and colored deep orange, shading to paler orange at the throat. Free-flowering and a heavy propagating type. White Flower Farm Introduction, 1954.

#### SPECIAL OFFER

You Choose, We Choose Evelyn Selection #1 \$2.3

You choose one each of any three varieties; we choose one each of any four varieties. Seven bulbs, seven varieties—value about \$3.75.

Not more than a dozen to a customer this year, please.

- You Choose, We Choose Evelyn Selection #2 \$5.75

  You choose three each of three varieties; we choose three each of four. Twenty-one bulbs, seven varieties—value about \$8.75.
- You Choose, We Choose Evelyn Selection #3 \$9.95 Six each the same way. Forty-two bulbs, seven varieties value about \$16.00.

## UNUSUAL OR RARE DAFFODILS

Here are varieties of Daffodils that are completely different. Three are perfect miniatures of exquisite delicacy. Others are a little larger but not so large as the green ordinary Narcissi. The remainder are fine new Daffodils. All are flowers of great beauty. For the highly discriminating gardener,

- B. Citrinum Six \$1.35, Doz. \$2.30, 25 \$4.15, 100 \$14.75 Large, hoop-petticoat shaped flowers of pale citron yellow. Height: 6-8 inches. This variety likes maist are and should be planted at the foot of the rockery.
- B. Conspicuous Six \$1.10; Doz. \$1.85; 25 \$3.30; 100 \$11.75 Same form of flower as above but of rich gold color. Height: 6 inches. It, too, likes moisture.
- Campernella Six \$1.00; Doz. \$1.55; 25 \$2.90; 100 \$10.50

  Two or three small, golden-yellow flowers on strong stems. Fragrant. About 14 inches high. Excellent for cutting. A charming double variety.
- Canaliculatus Six \$1.40; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.50; 100 \$16.00

  The whole flower never grows more than 6" high. There are three to four perfectly formed tiny trumpet flowers on each stem. Petals are white and the globular golden cup is sweetly scented.
- February Gold Six \$2.25, Doz. \$4.00; 25 \$7.00; 100 \$25.00

  The petals (golden yellow) curve back beautifully and the strong, heavily frilled trumpet is the color of the gold in your grandmother's jewelry.

#### Queen Anne's Daffodil

Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.15; 100 \$14.50

This is a true double, tiny Daffodil. A perfect miniature for the rock garden. Flowers are a pure golden-yellow; foliage is grass-like.

- Trevithian Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$13.25 From 2 to 4 translucent soft yellow flowers on each stem. High winds do not seem to bother it and don't burn or wilt it. Very fragrant. An excellent cut flower.
- Mary Copeland Six \$1.40; Doz. \$2.50; 25 \$4.60; 100 \$16.50

  Huge creamy-white double with a few center petals of deepest orange. One of the few satisfactory doubles.
- Milk and Cream Three \$3.50; Six \$6.00; Doz. \$11.75
  White Flower Farm Introduction, 1953. This giant flower has pure white petals and an enormous flat crown the color of double cream. Nothing like it has been seen before in the Shortcup classification. Not more than twelve to a customer this year.
- Supreme Six \$2.40; Doz. \$4.25; 25 \$7.75; 100 \$27.50

  A new and different Shortcup. Color of petals is golden shaded lighter, the cup heavily frilled and very dark red. White Flower Farm Introduction, 1953.
- Apricot Attraction Three \$7.50; Six \$14.00; Doz. \$24.50

  White Flower Farm Introduction, 1954. We have been growing this magnificent adfodil for several years—the first ones cost us \$25 per bulb. It is still expensive and only for those who really care about new and unusual flowers and who like to have them first. The petals, believe it or not, are apricot in color, the strong, frilled cup a very deep matching shade. This is probably the only new development in color in narcissi in the past 50 years. Stocks will be limited for a long time. Not more than a dozen to a customer, please.
- Early Perfection Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00 White petals, light yellow cup. Multi-flowered and sweet-scented.
- Glorious Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00 Round flat pure white petals, brilliant orange scarlet cap. Multi-flowered and sweet-scented.
- Helios Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00
  Creamy yellow petals, deep yellow cup. Multi-flowered and sweet-scented.
- L'Innocence Six \$1.35, Doz. \$2.25, 25 \$4.00, 100 \$14.00
  Pure white petals, large orange cup. Multi-flowered and sweet-scented.
- Orange Prince Six \$1.35; Doz. \$2.25; 25 \$4.00; 100 \$14.00
  Cream white petals, orange cup. Multi-flowered and sweet-scented.
- La Argentina Six \$3.50; Doz. \$6.50; 25 \$12.00; 100 \$45.00

  Large and broad white petals, the cup is white but

Daffodils Continued

White Flower Farm

AUTUMN, 1954 5

filled with radiating stripes of yellow and orange, giving the appearance of spokes in a wheel.

Red Marley Six \$3.65; Doz. \$6.75; 25 \$12.50; 100 \$47.00

Petals distinct dark golden yellow, the cup is quite long and tinted richest red. Does not fade.

Firetail Six \$1.50; Doz. \$2.75; 25 \$5.00; 100 \$18.00
Broad creamy white petals with bright red eye. (Barri.)

Kansas Six \$1.50; Doz. \$2.75; 25 \$5.00; 100 \$18.00

Pure white petals, large lemon yellow flat crown with narrow cinnamon-colored edges which do not burn.

Marshal Ney Six \$1.50; Doz. \$2.75; 25 \$5.00; 100 \$18.00 White petals with deep orange cup. (Barri.)

**St. Louis** Six \$1.50; Doz. \$2.75; 25 \$5.00; 100 \$18.00 White petals, deep yellow cup, edged red. (Barri.)

#### YELLOW TRUMPETS

One yellow trumpet Daffodil is inclined to look like every other yellow trumpet Daffodil so we've selected these giants, each different in color, each of great depth and quality. All are strong propagators.

Unsurpassable Six \$1.75; Doz. \$3.25; 25 \$5.75; 100 \$22.00 Extremely large golden (not yellow) flower.

Lord Nelson Six \$2.25; Doz. \$4.10; 25 \$7.50; 100 \$26.00

It is an enormous flower; color is light yellow throughout.

Spring Glory Six \$1.40; Doz. \$2.45; 25 \$4.45; 100 \$15.75 Large white petals and a huge golden trumpet.

#### FRITILLARIA

Graceful drooping flowers. Plant in good soil and full sun and leave undisturbed. Protect them from wind.

Mixed Colors Doz. 90c; 25 \$1.65; 100 \$6.25 Shades of red and orange-red.

#### IRIS (Bulbous)

Excellent Rock garden plant. Best be described as a small form of Dutch Iris. Can easily be forced into bloom in the house. Plant 6 to 8 in a 4 to 5 inch pot. Fragrant blossoms resemble bunches of Violets. Hardy with reasonable protection. Plant these in the rock garden under white Arabis.

**Reticulata** Doz. 90c; 25 \$1.65; 100 \$6.25 Dark purplish blue, sweet scented flowers.

# Warmenhoven Amaryllis

The rarest strain of Amaryllis is the one developed by Warmenhoven, a small Dutch house which started hybridizing them seventy years ago and which consequently has about a fifty year start on everyone else. This strain differs from others in mony respects: 1) colors are solid or, when striped, the markings are soft and indefinite rather than hard and garish, 2) blossoms have an irridescence or luster found in no other strain, 3) bulbs have great stamina and are highly resistant to disease, and 4) the strain has a wider color range than most. These hybrids will bloom for the rankest amateur. Fact is, we guarantee each to bloom.

Amaryllis are best used as winter flowering plants and by storing a part of your bulbs in a cool dry place you can have these sensational flowers in bloom from December until March. Complete cultural instructions are enclosed with each order. With only minimum care these Hybrids will throw more and more flowering stalks year after year. Here is a truly lasting investment in winter flowering plants. Prices include shipping so do not add transport fee. NAMED HYBRID AMARYLLIS



#### MAMMOTH BULBS BY COLOR

These giant flowering hybrids will bloom for the rankest amateur. They can be grown either in the house or garden, but they are not hardy in our climate and if grown outdoors have to be dug before frost. Planted in a pot in winter they will bloom within six to eight weeks. (By keeping part of the bulbs dormant you can have a succession of bloom throughout the winter.) Plant them outdoors in March, April or May and they will bloom in July and August. Outdoor culture is easier than growing gladiolus. We can supply them from November through May but order early as the supply is limited.

Two to six blooms on each flowering stalk; some bulbs throw two stalks. Each guaranteed to bloom the first year.

Prices including attractive packaging and free delivery (Parcel Post) anywhere in U.S.A. Nothing (absolutely nothing) makes a nicer Christmas gift. Order them now and enclose your cards and get that much of Christmas out of the way. (Do not add transport service charge.)

|                          | Potted  | Unpott |
|--------------------------|---------|--------|
| Pure White               | \$5.50  | \$4.25 |
| Shades of Dark Red       | \$5.50  | \$4.25 |
| Shades of Scarlet        | \$5.50  | \$4.25 |
| Shades of Lighter Red    | \$5.50  | \$4.25 |
| Shades of Pink           | .\$5.50 | \$4.25 |
| Shades of Salmon         | \$5.50  | \$4.25 |
| Shades of Rose           | \$5.50  | \$4.25 |
| Shades of Rose and White | \$5.50  | \$4.25 |

Last winter in Holland two of our partners were able to get another limited quantity of the rare named hybrids, the end result of over 70 years of hybridizing. These flowers have a luster we have never seen before. Few ever have been offered to the public; most go to specialists and to the botanical gardens of the world. Bulbs are huge and, of course, we guarantee each to bloom and each to be true to variety. These varieties are sold only potted in 5 inch clay pots, ready to grow. Price includes attractive packaging plus delivery (Parcel Post) free anywhere in U.S.A. (Do not add transport fee for this item on order form.)

Red Champion Each \$15.00, Potted

The deepest of red with the center shading to blackest

red.

Mont Blanc

Each \$15.00, Potted

Alabaster white with delicate shadings of lightest green

at the throat.

Orange Nassau Each \$1.5.00. Potted

Named after the Royal Dutch Family and it is not orange.
Color: a light, burned-brick is close, if, of course, we are

Irene Each \$15.00, Potted

thinking of the same kind of Dutch brick.

This is the daintiest of pink shadings.

Mme. Curie

Each \$15.00, Potted

As close to pure salmon as you will find.

The Queen Each \$15.00, Potted
On the deep red side but so overcast that to many the flower is cerise.

Brilliant Star Each \$15.00, Potted
Darkest Red.

# CHIONODOXA (Glory-of-the-Snow)

Chionodoxa bloom at the same time as Crocus, producing dwarf flower spikes with 12 to 15 flowers. Plant bulbs about three inches deep. Good for rockeries. 6 to 7 inches.

Gigenteg Doz. 80c; 25 \$1.50; 100 \$5.25 Soft lavender, white center, large flower.

Luciliae Alba Doz. 85c: 25 \$1.60: 100 \$5.75 Clear white, very delicate.

#### SCILLA (Sibirica)

Excellent rockery plant and wonderful for naturalizing. Blooms very early. Plant in a sunny location about 3 inches deep.

Spring Beauty Six 70c; Doz. \$1.25; 25 \$2.30; 100 \$8.25 Light blue in color, blossoms large and free flowering, 3 to 4 inches tall, Good for forcing.

### **ERANTHIS** (Winter Aconite)

This flower blooms about two weeks before Crocus, Flowers are like little buttercups, 3 inches tall. Plant two inches deep, in shade or full sun.

#### Hiemalis

Doz. 95c: 25 \$1.70; 100 \$6.50 Yellow, one of the earliest spring flowers. Good anyplace.

# GALANTHUS (Snow-drops)

These charming white early-spring plants like a moist, cool soil. They do well in shade—under bushes, trees or along woodland paths. To get the desired effect plant about 3 inches apart in groups of six or twelve. They remain a lifetime

Nivalis Simplex Six 50c: Doz. 85c: 25 \$1.60-100 \$6.50 Medium flowered

#### Nivalis Flore Pleno

Six \$1.00; Doz. \$1.55: 25 \$2.85: 100 \$10.25 A large double white.

#### Gift Certificates

There has been a considerable demand for yearround gift certificates and we now have them. They look like money, feel like money-in fact, they are money. Buy them in any multiple of \$5.00. We'll send the recipient a catalogue.

# The Lily Collection

Lilies are indispensable to the garden and these are the ones which are hardiest and easiest grown. Many bloom in July and August, a boon to the border at that poor period of bloom. There are two general rules about growing lilies. The first: get them in the ground immediately. We deliver them in top condition-moist and healthy. Plant the day you receive them. The second rule: plant them on their sides in well-drained locations. If there is any doubt about drainage put a four-inch layer of coarse sand or fine gravel underneath them. Proper planting depth is given for each variety and should be followed carefully. We offer only giant bulbs.

#### L. Auratum Platyphyllum

Each \$1.50; Three \$4.00; Doz. \$14.50 The golden-raved lily of Japan, It has great, fragrant, waxy-white blooms, golden-streaked and sometimes crimson spotted. Needs full sun and a rich, well-drained soil. Flowers in August and September, Plant 5-7 inches deep. Bulbs 7 to 8 inches.

#### L. Candidum "Cascade Strain"

Each 65c: Three \$1.75: Doz. \$6.00 This is the Madonna Lily in modern dress. It is pure white, June-flowering. Plant in the fall. Must not be planted over an inch deep, needs drainage. 7 to 8 inch bulbs.

### L. Centifolium "Olympic Hybrids"

Each 85c; Three \$2.25; Doz. \$8.00 The great trumpets flower in July on stems 5 to 7 feet tall. They do well in sun or light shade. Colors run from pure white to deep ivory with soft green or greenish brown or wine tints on the exterior of each bloom. Plant 5 to 7 inches deep; leave undisturbed. Giant 9" to 10"

#### L. Regale Each 75c; Three \$2.00; Doz. \$7.00 These vigorous fellows grow up to 6 feet high, throw

as many as 20 great trumpet flowers. Color is predominantly white inside, shades to golden at the throat. Outside is more or less rosy-purple. Only huge bulbs (12 inches and up) are offered. Plant 10 inches deep.

### L. Speciosium Album Each \$1.75; Three \$5.00; Doz. \$17.50 This is one of the loveliest cut flowers. It is pure white with radically recurved petals on curving stems. It needs

a well-drained soil and some shade during the hottest part of the day. Plant six inches deep; 6 to 7 inch bulbs.

## L. Speciosium Rubrum Each 95c; Three \$2.75; Doz. \$9.00 Called "Red Champion" since it has been improved. The

blooms, like Speciosium Album in shape, are delightful shades of pink to blending reds. Plant 6 inches deep. 7 to 8 inch buibs. Album and Rubrum flower in August.

# L. "Golden Chalice Hybrids"

Each 75c; Three \$2.15; Six \$4.00



deep: 6 to 7 inch bulbs

# THE MID-CENTURY HYBRIDS

An entirely new group of hybrids developed by Jan de Graaff, the famous Oregon originator. They grow about two to four feet high, are tough in any climate, should be planted about 5-6 inches deep in a well-drained location. Neither descriptions nor pictures do them justice. They are the hardiest Lilies we ever saw and they propaaate like minks

# Enchantment (Pat. #862) Each 75c; Three \$2.00; Doz. \$7.00

De Graaf describes this as the best hardy lily he has ever developed and others say it is the best lily origination of the century. We subscribe to both these remarks. Enchantment is a vibrant nasturtium-red with flowers lasting for weeks, Blooms late June or July on 4-foot stems.

#### Fireflame

Each \$1.50; Three \$4.00; Doz. \$14.50

Large rich Indian-red with recurved petals. Blooms on 2-foot stems

#### Valencia

Each 95c; Three \$2.75; Doz. \$9.00

Rich golden flowers on 3-foot stems with a mid-rib of bronze and minute maroon dots. Late June.

#### Joan Evans

Each 95c; Three \$2,75; Doz. \$9.00

Very broad-petal flowers of bright golden-yellow with maroon spots. From 6 to 9 blooms on wiry stems up to five feet tall.

#### Pagoda

Each 95c; Three \$2.75; Doz. \$9.00

Marigold chrome flowers on heavy four-foot stems that defy weather.

#### Goldrush

Each \$1.50; Three \$4.00; Doz. \$14.50 Huge golden-yellow lily. Deep brown stem with olive green, glossy foliage. Late June.

Lilies Continued

Parade Each \$1.25; Three \$3.50; Doz. \$12.00
Rich golden-yellow with burnished gold mid-rib on each

flower, Height: 2 feet.

Campfire Each \$1.25; Three \$3.50; Doz. \$12.00
Fiery Indian red. The maroon spots on each petal are hardly noticeable. Petals are pointed and rather narrow.
About three feet tall. Flowers in July.

Harmony Each \$1.25; Three \$3.50; Doz. \$12.00 Flowers of rich and brilliant orange, wide petals. Fine for cutting. Flowers early July.

#### SPECIAL LILY GARDENS

Ever have a garden with nothing but Lilies in it? This is a highly desirable possession and you'll never be sorry; fact is, if you are like most Lily enthusiasts, your Lily garden will grow and grow. A garden like this requires at least two-thirds sun and perfect drainage. That's all. Next spring, after the Lilies have come up, bed the bare spots with white annuals. Plant bulbs about 18 inches apart.

#### You Choose, We Choose Lily Garden #1

You choose one bulb each from two varieties in the Lily list; we choose one each of three varieties. Five bulbs, five varieties—value about \$7.00.

#### You Choose, We Choose Lily Garden #2 \$13.95

You choose two bulbs each from three varieties; we choose two bulbs each from four varieties. Fourteen bulbs, seven varieties—value about \$19.50.

# You Choose, We Choose Lily Garden #3 \$24.7.

We should call this one the Bingo Lily Garden. Your choice of three bulbs each of five varieties; our choice of three bulbs each of five varieties. Thirty bulbs, ten varieties—value over \$30.00.

# Special Grass Seed

This mixture is composed mostly of the Fescue race—tough, hardy, creeping, shade-resisting grasses. They withstand drought better than most grasses, are not attacked, like some, by fungus diseases. The rest (15 percent) is made up of two kinds of upright Bent. There is no Kentucky Bluegrass in it. Ditto Redtop, If you are seeding a new lawn let us know and we will send you without charge enough annual rye grass to form a cover crop for these slower germinating grasses. The price of this mixture is down sharply this fall (\$8.75 for 5 lbs. instead of \$13.75)—very little more than good hardware store arass seed and ever so much better.

5 lbs. \$8.75; 10 lbs. \$14.75; 25 lbs. \$32.50; 100 lbs. \$120.00



# AJUGA (Bugle)

Splendid rockery plants. Also one of the best ground covers, for sun or shade. It spreads quickly, mats so heavily when established that weeds can't grow. For quick covers plant six inches apart spring or fall. Evergreen. Practically indestructible.

\*A. Genevensis Each

Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25

Dense spreading mats of dark variegated green leaves with masses of dark blue flowers on 6 to 8 inch spikes in May and June.

# ALYSSUM (Basket of Gold or Madwort)

Plant in ordinary, well drained soil. Use in groups of three in the rock garden or as border edging. Blooms with tulips.

\*Saxtile Citrinum Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Ten \$5.00 Clusters of pale vellow flowers.

\*Saxtile Compactum Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Ten \$5.00 Ditto, but bright yellow flowers.

# AQUILEGIA (Columbine)

These strains are all hybrids, long-spurred. They make excellent cut flowers, bloom over a period of 4 to 6 weeks beginning in early June. Use ordinary cultural procedures. All columbine are strong field grown clumps.

# The Flowering Plants

This is the stuff perennial borders are made of. The word perennial, as applied to flowering plants like these, does not mean forever—it means these plants have a long life. Some, like an established peony, last for 25 years or more; others bloom their heads off for two or three years, get root bound and die. But in between these extremes you get lasting beauty if you pay any attention to a perennial border, and, if it's properly planted, there will be a succession of bloom from early spring to late fall.

For those who prefer a white border we have a white variety of the species if it is available in a sturdy form. The range of colored varieties is tremendous—we have stayed away from only one color, magenta; it goes with nothing including itself.

Soils for perennial plantings should be well drained, rich in phosphate and phosphorus (for root and strong stalk development), moderately rich in nitrogen (you want flowers, not great masses of over-grown green leaves). Our stock is all top-size and absolutely free from disease.

#### Chrysantha Silver Queen

Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25

Pure white. Height: 24-30 inches.

Crimson Star Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25

Long crimson spurs, centers white tinged with red.

#### Mrs. Scott Elliott Hybrids

Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25

Colors range through pastel shades of lavender, blue, red, pink, cream, white. Mixed **c**olors only.

# ANCHUSA (Alkanet)

These charming early bloomers belong to the Forget-menot order. They like a deep, well-drained soil, and not too heavy. They do best in full sun.

**Dropmore** Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Ten \$6.75

Blue flowers on 4 to 5 foot spikes. Blooms all summer. Use single specimens or in groups of three about 18 inches apart.

\*Myosotidiflora Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25
Clusters of flowers resembling Forget-me-nots in MayJune. Likes semi-shade or sun. 12 inches, Never plant

# **ANTHEMIS** (Golden Marguerite)

less than three of this fine dwarf.

Extremely free flowering daisy-like plants which furnish an abundance of excellent cut-flowers until frost. Hardy anywhere and indifferent to soil and moisture.

#### Moonlight

Each 80c Three \$2.00 Ten \$6.00

A perfect early summer flower, Masses of pale vellow. daisy-like blooms 21/2 inches across on 18 inch stems. Plants stand erect, do not crowd the border, seem to be impervious to insects, drought or floods. Even the finely cut foliage is attractive.

# ARABIS (Rock-Cress)

Useful plants for carpeting dry walls or banks. Arabis forms broad mats of evergreen foliage fairly smothered under bloom in early spring. Does well in sun or shade

### \*Alpina

Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25

Dense masses of pure white flowers from April until June Excellent for the rockery and front of the flower border. 6 inches.

# CHRYSANTHEMUM MAXIMUM (The Shasta Daisy)

Use a good rich soil in full sun. Plant 1 foot apart. Divide root stocks every other year to keep plant compact and flowers large.

#### Alaska

Each 75c, Three \$1.80 Ten \$5.25

Large glistening white single daisy with yellow center. Two foot plants bloom heavily in June and July.

#### Marconi

Each \$1.00, Three \$2.55, Ten \$7.00

Double frilled white flowers on stems 18 to 24 inches long. Fine for cutting.

Each \$1.00. Three \$2.55. Ten \$7.00 Majestic Immense white flowers, 5 to 6 inches in diameter, Small golden center. Excellent for cutting, blooms June and July, Height: 30 inches.

#### Mount Shasta

Each 95c. Three \$2.35. Ten \$6.75

Pure white and fully double with a high-crested center. Flowers average four inches across and come singly on stiff, 24-inch stems from spring until frost, Fine for cutting.

### \*DIANTHUS (Garden Pinks)

Plant in ordinary garden soil which must contain some lime, Excellent rock garden or border plant. Most varieties bloom continuously starting in mid-June.

### Allwoodi Mixed

Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25

Large single and double flowers. Foliage grey-green forming large mats. Stems 12-15 inches high.

#### Dingh

Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Ten \$6.75

A double, deep rose with maroon center. Flowers prolifically spring and fall. Two to six flowers on each 12 inch stem.



Evangeline Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Ten \$6.75

Double soft rose flowers with spicy fragrance on 10 inch stems.

#### Moon Mist

Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Ten \$6.75

Fragrant double white flowers on 12 inch stems, Blooms heavily spring and fall, and throughout summer.

#### Salmon Unique

Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Ten \$6.75

A clove-scented salmon-pink. Stems 15 inches, Throws perfectly formed carnation-like flowers throughout the season.

#### Tiny Rubies

Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Ten \$6.00

Very compact with miniature pink carnation-like flowers on 4 to 6 inch stems. Excellent for rock gardens.

Each 80c, Three \$2,00, Ten \$6,00 Wallace Red Semi-double crimson red flowers on 12-inch stems. Com-

pact. Blooms all summer.

#### Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Ten \$6.00 Dubonnet

Darkest of the reds.

Her Majesty Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Ten \$6.00

Purest white, very large and heavily double.

Sweet Memory Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Ten \$6.00

Pure white, crimson maroon spots at center. Two inch blooms fully double, compact and sturdy.

#### Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Ten \$6.00 White Reserve

Like a fine double-white, greenhouse-grown Carnation, 10 inches high. Grows from a heavy mat. Extremely fragrant.

#### You Choose, We Choose Dianthus #1

You choose three plants, we choose three. Six plants-

value about \$5.50.

#### You Choose, We Choose Dianthus #2 \$6.25

You choose four plants, we choose five. Nine plantsvalue about \$8.00.

\*Rock Garden Plant

#### You Choose, We Choose Dianthus #3

\$7.75

You choose six plants, we choose six. Twelve plantsvalue about \$11.00

#### DIANTHUS BARBATUS (Sweet William)

These are extremely showy plants, cut flowers are long lasting. They are biennials. However, they reseed so heavily they'll be around a long time.

Giant White

Each 80c, Three \$2,00, Doz. \$5,75

Enormous trusses of pure white flowers excellent for cutting.

**Newport Pink** 

Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$5.75

Ditto, but flowers are a pure pink.

Eximia

Three \$1.25, Doz. \$3.50, 25 \$6.25

#### **DICENTRA** (Bleeding Heart)

A must in every border and they are easily grown. Dicentra, you will be alad to know, does best in partial shade. Plant in fall or very early spring.

**Bountiful** 

Each \$1.25, Three \$3.25, Ten \$9.00

A remarkable hybrid. Makes a clump 18 inches in diameter and has dark blue-green foliage about 10 inches high, Blooms heavily from May until July: throws flowers all summer; blooms heavily again in the fall. Only three to a customer, please. (Patented)

\*Eximia

Three \$1.25, Ten \$3.75, 25 \$9.00

A delightful dwarf with pink flowers over delicate green foliage. Height: 12 inches.

\*Eximia Sweetheart Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Ten \$6.75

The same with pure white flowers.

Spectabilis

Each \$1.10. Three \$2.75. Ten \$7.75

Old-fashioned and a favorite. It's a fairly tall grower and has long racemes of heart-shaped pink flowers. Plant in clumps about 24 inches apart.

# DORONICUM (Leopard-bane)

These glorified golden daisies are unrivalled for early spring flower decorations. Sun or light shade.

Excelsium

\$4.50

Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Ten \$6.00

Strong grower with medium-sized blooms of golden vellow. Blooms same time as Tulips and makes an excellent background planting with them.

### DICTAMNUS (Gas Plant)

An interesting perennial that will last a life-time. Handsome ash-like leaves of deliahtful fragrance and lovely Dictamnus Continued

White Flower Farm

AUTUMN, 1954 9

flowers which form a gas that can be janited on hot evenings without damage to the plant. Should have a sunny, well drained location. Never try to move Dictamnus after it is established

Fraxinella Alba Each \$1.10, Three \$2.75

Compact shrub-like growth and attractive spikes of pure white flowers during June and July. Long lasting as a cut flower. Only three to a customer.

Fraxinella Rubra Each \$1.10, Three \$2.75

The same fine shrub-like growth as Alba with rose pink flowers on 21/2 ft. plants. Only three to a customer.

### **FUNKIA** (Plaintain Lily)

Very hardy with handsome leaves and lily-like flowers. Likes any moist location in full or part shade.

Subcordata grandiflora Each \$1.10. Three \$2.75

Large pure white, lilv-shaped fragrant flowers in August and September. Used extensively as a ground cover.

#### GAILLARDIA (Blanket Flower)

They require a rich, light, well-drained soil to survive the winter. Full sun. They bloom profusely all summer and seem to require no water. Highly satisfactory as cut flower.

Each 70c, Three, \$1.70, Ten \$5.00 Aurea Pura

Large yellow flowers on strong stems. Height: 30 inches.

Burgundy Each 70c, Three, \$1.70, Ten \$5.00

Wine red. Flowers 3 inches in diameter.

Goblin Each 70c, Three, \$1.70, Ten \$5.00 Red and yellow bi-color. Compact growing habit.

Portola Hybrids Each 70c, Three, \$1.70, Ten \$5.00

Large flowers; centers dark red. Blends to copper, petals golden tipped.

#### GEUM (Avens)

An extremely hardy plant with desirable foliage and flowers. Grows in ordinary soil, Does best in sun, but thrives in light shade. Plenty of moisture will make it bloom all season.

Lady Stratheden Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Ten \$6.25 Deep golden yellow flowers. 2 ft.

### GYPSOPHILA (Perennial Baby's Breath)

A rugged plant in well-drained soil. Its flowers form a delicate and beautiful veil. Cut flowers make sensational bouquets by themselves; mixed with other flowers they form background clouds of white or pink. They are tap rooted, cannot be moved. Don't expect much the first season. After that you can't find a more satisfactory border plant or cut flower. They become big plantsmost varieties must be kept at least 2 feet apart.

**Bristol Fairy** Each 95c. Three \$2.35. Ten \$6.75 Pure white double flowers. Keep one or two in cutting

garden for floral arrangements as Bristol blooms repeatedly if kept cut. Height: 3 feet.

Double Dutch Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Ten \$7.75

A new double pure white, taller than Bristol Fairy and with slightly larger flowers. Excellent for cutting.

Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Ten \$7.75 Flamingo Double pink with habits similar to Bristol Fairy.

\*Repens Rosy Veil Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Ten \$6.00

"Dwarf" double pink, 2 feet high. Longer season of bloom, starts 2 weeks earlier.

### **HELLEBORUS** (Christmas Rose)

This strange fascinator blooms in winter, cares not a hoot about the coldest cold. Culture requires a cool, moist shady position (in the shade of trees or amona ferns) and soil must be woodsy (mix it heavily with leaf mold and three year old cow manure; stay away from lime or inorganic fertilizers). Plenty of water is required in summer. Helleborus spreads from the crown: plant at least 12 inches apart. Do not move after the plants are established -they resent it, you're almost sure to lose them if you do.

H. Niger Each \$1.75, Three \$4.65, Ten \$14.75 These are giant plants, grown in large Easimove pots, all should bloom next year. Niger's leaves have a palm form, are evergreen and of leathery substance. In December. January or February (depending on locality) the plant throws large, single, white, bell-like flowers which last for weeks regardless of below zero cold or snow.

### **HEUCHERA** (Coral Bells)

They like a rich, moist, well-drained soil, but they'll arow in practically anything. Plant 6 inches apart in the border in clumps of 3, 5 or 7, or use as edging plant. Divide about every third year.

Brizoides, Mary Rose (new)

Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Ten \$6.00

Spikes about 2 feet, carry clear pink flowers.

Perry's White Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25

White bells blending to cream on 18-inch spikes. Blooms



June through September if kept cut back, Rock garden plant, too.

Queen of Hearts Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Ten \$6.75

Produces deep glowing coral-scarlet blooms for a long period. Individual flowers are extra large and brilliant. Showy border plant or good cut flower.

#### HIBISCUS (Mallow)

The following are all giant hybrids of a new strain. The immense Hollyhock-like flowers measure up to 12 inches across on stalks which rise to 6 feet. The plant kills back to the ground in winter, Crowns are hardy. They are best planted in mass some distance from the house in rich, moist but well-drained soil. Blooms come in July-August.

Snowcap Each \$3.00. Three \$7.75

A pure white.

Poinsetta Each \$3.00, Three \$7.75

Deepest red.

Satan Each \$3.00. Three \$7.75

Tall, velvety maroon.

Radiation Each \$3.00, Three \$7.75

Clear pink with darker center.

Silver Rose Each \$3.00, Three \$7.75

Pink with satin sheen, the veins darker.

# LAVANDULA (Old-fashioned Lavender)

Needs a dry medium soil and full sun. Protect if planted in the fall. Plant has hoary green leaves, bears its lavender flowers upon spikes in July and August. Dry the flowers for sachets.

Vera Each \$1.25 (supply limited)

Shrubby 18-inch plants. These are all 3-year-old heavy plants, three times the size usually offered.

\*Rock Garden Plant

# Pris

The hybridizers have done wonders with Iris—from the German bearded types to Japs. They have done so well that the big job is selecting the best from the thousands of new ones introduced every year. Where we have used old varieties we have done it purposely; they still are better than the new higher priced ones that are supposed to replace them. On the other hand our Collector Offering (the ones \$2.50 and over per plant) are the introductions that will grow old gracefully.

Culture generally is very simple but remember that a newly planted root will not be sensational its first blooming season—it takes two to three years to establish a planting. (Japanese Iris are sold only in the spring.)

# GERMAN BEARDED IRIS

Only one thing to remember—they must have shallow planting. These are shipped only during July and August, the dormant period.

#### WHITE TO CREAM

Lady Mohr Each \$1.00; Three \$2.75; Six \$5.25; Doz. \$10.00
Huge, slightly fluted oyster-white standards with strong chartreuse falls. Grows to nearly four feet and carries several open blooms at a time. Scarce,

Snow Flurry Each \$1.00; Three \$2.75; Six \$5.25; Doz. \$10.00 lce white which means there is a bluish cast. Outstanding, 48 inches.

Wabash Each 50c; Three 90c; Six \$1.70; Doz. \$3.25 Basically a white-blue bi-color. 36 Inches.

Winter Carnival Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$10.00
White with a gold throat. 38 inches.

New Snow Each \$2.00; Three \$5.00; Six \$9.00; Doz. \$17.50 Huge white blossom beautifully ruffled. Bright yellow beard. 36 inches.

Amandine Each \$2.50; Three \$7.00; Six \$13.50; Doz. \$25.00
Fluted blossoms of frosty lemon-cream. Resists rain and heat. 36 inches.

Desert Song Each \$1.50; Three \$4.00; Six \$7.75; Doz. \$15.00

New cream self colored Iris, beautifully ruffled with extra large flowers of excellent proportion. Outwits rain or heat. 40 inches.

#### PINK SHADES

**China Maid** Each 75c, Three \$2.15, Doz. \$7.50 A mallow-pink, edged gold.

Morocco Rose Each 60c; Three \$1.70; Six \$3.00; Doz. \$5.75 Largest of all pink toned Iris. Pink Satin

**Each** 50c; Three 90c; Six \$1.70; Doz. \$3.25 The decidedly pink overtone is on a lavender base. 40 inches.

Spindrift Each \$1.00; Three \$2.75; Six \$5.25; Doz. \$10.00
Translucent shell-pink with tangerine beard. 38 inches.

Mulberry Rose Each 75c; Three \$2.15; Six \$4.00; Doz. \$7.50

Deep mulberry-pink with heavy bronze beard. 40 inches.

**Cherie** Each \$5.00; Three \$13.00; Six \$25.00

This unusual and charming pink creature is accented with a finely-toned tangerine beard. The bloom is in perfect color balance and is also huge. 36 inches. Only six to a customer.

Chantilly Each \$1.50; Three \$4.00; Six \$7.75; Doz. \$15.00
A ruffled orchid-pink. Edges of both standards and falls
are so heavily ruffled and frilled they appear to be
edged with lace of a lighter shade. 36 inches.

Pink Cameo Each \$1.50; Three \$4.00; Six \$7.75; Doz. \$15.00 One of the new "flamingo" pinks. A true pink devoid of violet color. Tangerine beard. 36 inches.

#### RED TO PURPLE SHADES

Sable Each 75c; Three \$2.15; Six \$4.00; Doz. \$7.50
The blackest flower you ever saw; call it black-violet.
Scarce. 38 inches.

Master Charles Each 75c; Three \$2.15; Six \$4.00; Doz. \$7.50 Mulberry-purple and lovely. 40 inches.

#### Violet Symphony

Each 75c; Three \$2.15; Six \$4.00; Doz. \$7.50 Deep violet. 36 inches.

Black Forest Each \$1.25; Three \$3.50; Six \$6.50; Doz. \$12.50 A rich, silky, ebony-blue-black. Solid hoft and a blackish blue beard. Medium in height with flaring falls.

**Elmohr** Each \$1,00; Six \$5,25; Doz. \$10.00

An outstanding mulberry red. 36 inches.

Ranger Each \$1.50; Three \$4.00; Six \$7.75; Doz. \$15.00

Dark but very bright almost true crimson-red, selfcolored. It has long, cone-shaped, closed standards and
wide falls of glossy velvet texture. Bronze orange beard.
Late bloomer. 36 inches.

#### Solid Mahogany

Each \$1.00; Three \$2.75; Six \$5.25; Doz. \$10.00 New red. Beautifully formed, color described by its name. Deep bronze-gold beard accents the richness of the plush-like falls. 36 inches,

#### YELLOW TO GOLDEN SHADES

Berkeley Gold Each 75c; Three \$2.15; Six \$4.00; Doz. \$7.50 A clear self-yellow. 32 inches.

Ola Kala Each \$1.00; Three \$2.75; Six \$5.25; Doz. \$10.00 This is a deepest yellow color, the bloom highly ruffled. 38 inches.

Ming Yellow Each 75c; Three \$2.15; Six \$4.00; Doz. \$7.50

A dusty chinese-yellow that is smooth and rich. 40 inches.

Elsa Sass Each 60c; Three \$1.70; Six \$3.00; Doz. \$5.75

Clear sulphur-yellow with a pleasant greenish cast.

Slightly frilled. 36 inches.

Tiffanja Each \$75c; Three \$2.15; Six \$4.00; Doz. \$7.50

A new and unique plicata with good form and thick substance, standards are colonial buff; falls are creamy white, definitely bordered buff; speckled around the border with light brown. 42 inches.

Rocket Each \$1.50; Three \$4.00; Six \$7.75; Doz. \$15.00
An orange self. The standards are pure deep chrome and the falls orange-chrome. The burnished finish on the falls adds depth to the color. 36 inches.

### BLENDING COLOR COMBINATIONS

Grand Canyon Each 75c, Three \$2.15, Doz. \$7.50
Purple to copper to gold. 38 inches.

Bryce Canyon Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$10.00 Red-brown with henna. Scarce, 40 inches.

Indian Chief Three 90c, Six \$1.70, Doz. \$3.25
Fine reddish purple. 36 Inches

Prairie Sunset Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$10.00
Pink to apricot to gold and entirely lovely. 36 inches.

Cascade Splendor

Each \$2.00; Three \$5.00; Six \$9.00; Doz. \$17.50 Heavily ruffled and crimped flower of pink to apricot to tan. 48 inches.

Dauntless Each 50c; Three 90c; Six \$1.70; Doz. \$3.25 Shades of brown mixed with purple reds; yellow beard.

Unit Continued
White Flower Farm AUTUMN, 1954 11

Chamois Each \$1.50; Three \$4.00; Six \$7.75; Doz. \$15.00

One of the largest Iris. Both standards and falls are waved at the edges. Pure chamois in color, beard yellow, tipped bronze. No veinings or markings of any kind. 36 inches.

#### BLUE AND LAVENDER SHADES

Azure Skies Each 60c; Three \$1.70; Six \$3.00; Doz. \$5.75
An outstanding light azure-blue with a white beard. 34

#### Blue Shimmer

Each \$1.00; Three \$2.75; Six \$5.25; Doz. \$10.00 The blue is peppered evenly on a white background. Fragrant and outstanding.

**Great Lakes** Each 75c, Three \$2.15, Doz. \$7.50 Remarkably clear, light blue. 40 inches.

#### Helen McGregor

Each \$2.00; Three \$5.00; Six \$9.00; Doz. \$17.50 A clear, pale blue and a top iris award winner. 40 inches. Extremely rare.

#### Blue Rhythm

Each \$1.00; Three \$2.75; Six \$5.25; Doz. \$10.00 Huge, cornflower-blue blooms with a soft overtone of silver. Perfectly branched. 42 inches.

Chivalry Each \$1.50; Three \$4.00; Six \$7.75; Doz. \$15.00

A large and heavily ruffled flower of medium blue.

Dykes Medal winner. 36 inches.

Amigo Each 60c; Three \$1.70; Six \$3.00; Doz. \$5.75
Sharp contrasting shades of blue and violet. Standards are clear light violet blue, falls intense violet, edged same color as the standards. 34 inches.

#### IRIS PUMILA

These are miniatures (4" high), bloom in April and May. Excellent border or rockery plant.

Yellow Frills Each 50; Three 90c; Six \$1.70; Doz. \$3.25 Frilled yellow flowers. 10 inches.

Lt. Chavagnac Each 50; Three 90c; Six \$1.70; Doz. \$3.25 Clear violet blue on 6 to 8 inch stems. Two blooming

Mist 'O Pink Each 50; Three 90c; Six \$1.70; Doz. \$3.25 Flaring pinkish flower. Dwarf.

#### White Autumn Queen

Each 50c; Three 90c; Six \$1.70; Doz. \$3.25 A white; blooms spring and fall. 8 inches.

### IRIS SIBIRICA (Siberian)

These are tough, extremely hardy, last indefinitely and grow in impossibly wet ground. But keep their ankles out of water.

Caesar's Brother Each 75c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00

The best blue. A rich black, pansy-violet of great depth. 30 inches.

Morning Magic Each 75c; Three \$2.00; Doz. \$6.00
Soft lavender suffused with rose. Early flowering. 36 inches.

**Snow Queen** Each 75c; Three \$2.00; Doz. \$6.00

Prolific white. 36 Inches.

#### IRIS SPURIA

These are beardless and are the best of all rhizome iris for cutting. Flowers last a week or more in water. Hardy anywhere; for best results plant in a moist location.

Ochroeleuca gigantea Each 75c; Three \$2.00; Doz. \$6.00

Pure white standards, yellow falls, 40 inches.

Monnieri Each 75c; Three \$2.00; Doz. \$6.00
A fine, soft yellow. 36 Inches.

Azure Dawn
Each 75c; Three \$2.00; Doz. \$6.00
Blue-lavender, falls have pale yellow patch. 36 inches.



#### SPECIAL IRIS OFFERS

Here is an excellent chance to get acquainted with many new varietes of Iris at bargain prices. Your choices of the foregoing list of German, Pumila, Sibirica and Spuria Iris can be of any variety having a per each value below \$2.50. (Varieties valued at \$2.50 up are too scarce to be included.) We will limit all of our choices to German varieties.

You Choose, We Choose Iris Garden #1 \$3.

You choose one each of three varieties; we choose one each of three varieties. Six varieties, 6 plants—value about \$6.00.

You Choose, We Choose Iris Garden #2 \$9.95
You choose two each of four varieties; we choose two each of four, Eight varieties, 16 plants—value over \$16.00,

You Choose, We Choose Iris Garden #3 \$29.95

Here's a chance to start a big border of new varieties at a rock bottom price. You choose three each of ten varieties; we choose three each of ten. Twenty varieties, 60 plants—value over \$50.00.

#### IBERIS

(Perennial Candytuft)

Requires nothing extraordinary in soils. Plant, fall or spring, 6 inches apart.

\*Little Gem Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Ten \$6.00

Pure white flowers in May. True dwarf, flowers reach 6 inches in height, foliage about 3 inches. Perfect edging plant; excellent for rock gardens.

\*Purity Each 85c, Three \$2.10, Ten \$6.25

New and somewhat larger than Little Gem. Very uniform in growth; plants look like miniature evergreens after being a mass of white when flowering in May.

#### HEMEROCALLIS (Day Lilies)

These are of easiest culture; they multiply freely; are permanent and practically free of insects. Study blooming dates of varieties listed and order so that you have day lilies blooming from June to September. The hybridizers have gotten to work on the old-fashioned species and now we have varieties from softest yellow to almost fiery red. Move them any time; they are the toughest plants we know about.

August Pioneer Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Ten \$7.75
Chrome-yellow. Tips of petals blended red. Blooms Aug.-

Sept. Height: 34 inches.

Baadad

Fach \$1.00 Three \$2.75 Ten \$7.7

gdad Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Ten \$7.75
Blend of copper-red and orange. Orange center. June-

July. Height: 42 inches.

Boutonniere Fach 75c Three \$1.80 Ten \$5.24

Boutonniere Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25 Light peach. Blooms July-August. 36 inches.

Chengtu Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25 An orange-yellow blooming July-August, 36 inches.

Citrina Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25 Sulphur-yellow. June-July. 36 Inches.

**Earliana** Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Ten \$7.75

Blooms with Iris in early May. A golden-orange. 24 inches.

Enchantress Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Ten \$7.75
Soft yellow. Bleeds to pink in center. Aug.-Sept. Height: 36 inches.

Harvest Moon Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25

Is the color of orange-sherbet. July-August. 36 inches.

Hyperion Each \$1.10, Three \$2.75, Ten \$7.75

Very large canary-yellow flowers. Best of all yellow day lilies. July-August. Height: 48 inches.

Imperator Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25
Golden-red lined with yellow. July-August. Height: 40
inches.

Linda Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25 Amber-yellow with reddish lines. Petals ruffled. June-July. Height: 30 inches.

Mikado Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25 Rich orange with mahagany blotch at base of petals. June-July, Height: 36 inches.

Middendorfie Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25 A rich orange-vellow, May-June, 18 inches

Mrs. A. H. Austin Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25 Deep, large-flowered, golden-yellow. July-Aug. Height: 36 inches.

Mrs. W. H. Wyman Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Ten \$7.75 Lemon-yellow, July-August, 48 inches,

Ophir Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25 Very dark golden, July-August, 48 inches,

Semperflorens Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25 Excellent rich mid-season yellow. May-June, 30 inches.

Serenade Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Ten \$7.75 Pastel shadings of yellow and pink, June-July, Height: 36 inches.

Theron Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25 Wine-red. Petals twisted gracefully. June bloomer, 36 inches.

Pink Charm Each \$1.25. Three \$3.25. Ten \$9.00 Lovely soft pink, August-September, 30 inches,

Insulinda Each \$1.25, Three \$3.25, Ten \$9.00 Apricot-buff with pink overtones, Yellow center, July.

36 inches. Dido Each \$1.00, Three \$2.55, Ten \$7.00

Warm soft apricot, Late June-July, 36 inches. Morocco Red Each \$1.00, Three \$2.55, Ten \$7.00 Rich velvety red, August-September, 34 inches,

#### **Everblooming Hemerocallis Gardens**

One of the most satisfactory borders on The Farm is a solid Day Lily planting. It blooms from May to September. It is now six years old and so thick little weeding is ever required. These rugged plants, half shaded by two maples, compete successfully with the roots of those vigorous trees, bloom more profusely every year.

## Yellow to Golden Collection #1

One each of Earliana, Middendorfie, Semperflorens, Mrs. W. H. Wyman, Serenade, Hyperion, Citrina, Enchantress, August Pioneer, Mrs. A. H. Austin, Harvest Moon and Ophir. Twelve Plants-value about \$10.00.



#### A Fine, New Guide to Herbs

Most books on Herbs skip specific cultural information; or deal in glittering generalities; or dwell overlong on history and medicinal use. Not so HERBS, FROM THE GARDEN TO THE TABLE, by Dorothy Childs Hogner. She tells how to grow them, how to use them, is even specific in the amount to use. The book is made further delightful by Nils Hogner's drawings, 236 pages, indexed, Price, Parcel Post prepaid-\$4.25

Yellow-Golden Collection #2 \$22.50 Three each of the above. Thirty-six plants-value about

Darker Colored Day Lily Collection #1 \$4.75 Not quite so early or as extensive as the vellow-golden types but quite satisfactory. One each of Theron, Bagdad, Imperator, Linda, Mikado and August Pioneer. Six plants-value \$5.25.

Darker Colored Day Lily Collection #2 \$10.50 Three each of the above. Eighteen plants-value \$13.00.

Mixed Day Lily Collection #1 \$6.75 You choose one each of any three varieties: we choose one each of any six. Nine plants. (Value about \$9.00.)

Mixed Day Lily Collection #2 You choose three each of any two varieties; we choose three each of five. Twenty-one plants. (Value about



### PAPAVER ORIENTALE (Oriental Poppy)

These strong growing poppies, thanks to the hybridizer's science, diligence and luck, now come in an unusual and beautiful range of colors. They are of easiest culture. grow well in any soil but do best in a deep loam. Place crown 3 inches below surface; after frost mulch the first winter to prevent heaving; and after that do nothing.

Barrs' White Each \$1,10, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$7.50 Free-blooming pure white with purplish black spots at base of petals.

**Beauty of Livermore** Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00 Crimson with black center.

Helen Elizabeth Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Doz. \$6.00 Pure pink, no dark spots, 30 inches high.

Mrs. Perry Each 80c: Three \$2.00: Doz. \$6.00 Apricot orange tinted with salmon.

Crimson Pompom Each 80c, Three \$2,00, Doz. \$6,00 Double dark red of medium height.

Salmon Glow Each 80c. Three \$2.00. Doz \$6.00 Double salmon-orange

**Curtis Giant Mahogany** 

Each \$1.00: Three \$2.75: Doz. \$7.50 Giant mahogany-red flowers. Free blooming. 40 inches.

Curtis Salmon-Pink Each \$1.00; Three \$2.75; Doz. \$7.50 Salmon-pink flowers. Rugged grower. 36 inches.

Henry Caveux Improved

Each \$1,00: Three \$2,75: Doz. \$7.50 Smoky old rose tinted lavender. Very attractive color. 32 inches.

# LUPINUS (Lupine)

Soil is not a problem. Lupine requires lots of moisture, full sun and protection from prevailing hot summer winds. Because they are difficult to move when field-grown we offer strongly rooted potted plants. They will mature the second year. Plant in bold groups.

Polyphyllus albus Each \$1.00, Three \$2.55, Ten \$7.00 White.

Polyphyllus coeruleus Each \$1.00, Three \$2.55, Ten \$7.00

Polyphyllus carmineus Each \$1.00, Three \$2.55, Ten \$7.00 Almost red form of polyphyllus.

Polyphyllus roseus Each \$1.00, Three \$2.55, Ten \$7.00 Rose.

#### PAEONIES (Peonies)

There are hundreds of varieties of Peonies. We have a very simple means of selecting them. We grow them; then, if we like them, if the stalk stands straight under the heaviest load of flowers, we sell them.

Once established, Peonies bloom freely for 25 years or more. We deliver only heavy roots—5 eyes and up. This size invariably produces flowers the very first spring; smaller roots rarely bloom until the second or third year.

Peonies are of easy culture. They are great feeders, not finicky about soils. Plant (in the fall only) with the eyes  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches below ground. When frozen in, mulch with hay or leaves. No mulching is necessary afterwards. All make delightful cut flowers: when cut in heavy bud they will open and keep a week in water. Never cut more than two-thirds of a bush. Then snip off any seed pods that develop on the remaining stems.

#### **Double Varieties**

**Baroness Schroeder** Each \$1.50; Three \$4.00; Doz. \$15.00 Flesh white on sturdy stems. Fragrant, Blooms late.

Festiva Maxima Each \$2.00; Three \$5.50; Doz. \$20.00
Large pure white with occasional flecks of crimson at base of petal. Vigorous and early, Very fragrant.

Longfellow Each \$2.00; Three \$5.50; Doz. \$20.00
Double midseason crimson. Does not fade. Color Intensified by showing of golden stamens in center. (Supply limited.)

Martha Bullock Each \$1.75; Three \$4.75; Doz. \$15.50

Very large flower of old rose pink, Late season, Fragrant.

Mon. Jules Elie Each \$1.50; Three \$4.00; Doz. \$15.00
Quite tall free-flowering, light-rose pink.

Myrtle Gentry Each \$2.00; Three \$5.50; Doz. \$20.00
Light pink blooms fading to white with age. This is the finest delicate pink. (Supply limited.)

Sarah Bernhardt Each \$1.50; Three \$4.00; Doz. \$15.00 Strong-growing dark pink of medium height.

Solange Each \$1.50; Three \$4.00; Doz. \$15.00

Creamy white with blends of buff and pale salmon pink.
Petals dense. It is a late bloomer.

Therese Each \$2.00; Three \$5.50; Doz. \$15.00

Dark pink of medium height.

Walter Faxon Each \$2.00; Three \$5.50; Doz. \$15.00 Midseason light shell pink. Mildly fragrant.

Lowell Thomas Each \$5.00; Three \$14.00

Large double pure red blooms on strong stems. Fragrant.

We recommend this variety highly.



### Single Varieties

The Bride Each \$3.50; Three \$9.00; Doz. \$34.00
Pure white with rounded stamens.

Verdun Each \$3.50; Three \$9.00; Doz. \$34.00

Very large rich crimson center accented by golden center stamens.

Le Jour Each \$3.00; Three \$8.50; Doz. \$32.00

Double row of large white petals surrounding a broad ring of golden-yellow stamens, Tall, heavy bloomer.

Sea Shell Each \$4.50; Three \$12.00; Doz. \$45.00 Huge flowers of bright pink with heavily cushioned center of yellow stamens.

#### Japanese or Anemone-Flowered Peonies

Charm Each \$3.50; Three \$9.00
Late blooming dark red. (Supply very limited.)

**Sword Dance** Each \$3.50; Three \$9.00 Medium dark red, brilliant and showy. Stands heat well.

Tamate Boku Each \$5.00; Three \$14,00
Glorious large bright carmine-pink blooms with yellow center tipped pink.

Gold Standard

Each \$5.00; Three \$14.00

Fine white tinted yellow. Staminodes yellow. This is as close as you can come to a yellow peony.

### You Choose, We Choose Peony Gardens

Here's the biggest bargain in Peonies you'll ever find. Don't trust us 40 repeat this. Use the above varieties, any of them. Delivery in September.

# You Choose, We Choose Peony Garden #1 \$7.3

You choose one Peony, any variety; we choose one each of two varieties. Three varieties, three plants—value up to \$10.00.

### You Choose, We Choose Peony Garden #2 \$12.50

You choose one each of any two varieties we choose one each of any three varieties. Five varieties, five plants—value up to \$18.00.

### You Choose, We Choose Peony Garden #3 \$17.00

You choose one each of any three varieties; we choose one each of any four varieties. Seven varieties, seven plants—value up to \$27.50.

#### HYBRID PEONIES

These sensational things, of which there are a very few in this world, are single, early bloomers with color intensity never before seen. Bloom is a full ten days before other types; blossoms are on extremely strong stems about 18 inches high. These hybrids have extreme vigor but due to their root formation they spread very slowly, a boon to the gardener whose peonies crowd the perennial border. (Note: this slow spreading habit also will keep prices up indefinitely; it takes an average of four years to produce one 5-eye root.)

Only 100 roots (5-eye) can be sold this fall—not more than three to a customer. If you would like to see these beauties, we will gladly send you Kodachrome slides.

 Translucent Shades of Pink
 Each \$12.50, Three \$29.95

 Translucent Shades of Rose
 Each \$12.50, Three \$29.95

 Translucent Shades of Red
 Each \$12.50, Three \$29.95

 Translucent Shades of Red
 Each \$12.50, Three \$29.95

#### POLEMONIUM (Jacob's Ladder)

A spreading plant, 6 to 8 inches high, with light blue flowers in April. Foliage is good in summer. Prefers light shade and average moisture. It makes excellent ground cover and is good in the rockery or at the edge of the border.

\*Reptans Three \$1.50, Ten \$4.25 Light blue flowers in April and May, 6-8 inches high.

Richardsoni Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Ten \$5.00
Rich blue, 20 inches. Blooms June through August.

# POLYGONUM (Fleece Vine)

Excellent ground cover for sunny locations. Will do in sun as Vinca and Pachysandra does in shade. Easily grown in ordinary soil. Plant about 18 inches apart.

\*Reynoutria Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Ten \$6.00

Light green foliage (6 inches high) which turns bright red in autumn. Spreads rapidly. Fleece-like sprays of pink flowers appear from September until killing frost.

# FRAISES DES BOIS (Wild French Strawberries)

Shipping plants have small crowns but are heavily rooted. Planted in early spring they will produce their first berries in July; plants will be lush and in full production at the end of August. Fertilize with dry cow manure or compost that is free of grubs. Neither of these varieties produce runners

### \*Charles V Doz. \$8.95, 25 \$14.95, 50 \$27.50

Named after France's famous king, who, about 1360, was the first Frenchman to bring wild strawberries from the woods and plant them in a garden. This variety is an open upright plant with dark green leaves, about 8 inches high, 10 inches in diameter. Plant one foot apart as border edging or in beds or rows in the vegetable garden. Berries are deepest red, about five-eighths inch long, pointed, about three eighths inch in diameter at the butt. Charles V is ever-bearing and a heavy producer. Patent pending.

#### \*Marie Antoinette Doz. \$8.95, 25 \$14.95, 50 \$27.50

A highly compact dainty upright plant with delicate green leaves. Berries are a darkish red at the base, a rouge-pink at the tip. A heavier producer than Charles V but berries are slightly smaller. Ever-bearing, of course. Patent pending. This happens to be our favorite if you're wondering about which variety to buy.

#### STOKESIA (Cornflower Aster)

Prefers sunny, warm and sheltered location in well-drained soil. Plant early autumn.

Cyanea Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Ten \$6.00
Large, light blue disc-like flowers on 10 to 12 inch stems.
Plant itself is dwarf in habit. A September bloomer and welcome in the border at that time.

#### TEUCRIUM (Germander)

Dwarf, compact, bushy shrub-like plants with glossy deep green foliage. Prefers well drained location. Does best in sun.

\*Chamaedrys Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25
This very hardy plant can be used in place of miniature boxwood. Height 12-15 inches. Trimmed to any desired height.

# PHLOX DECUSSATA (Hardy Garden Phlox)

To grow Phlox well be sure soil is well-drained, deep and heavily enriched. Keep in full sun. Water freely under the foliage. It likes its feet wet and its clothing dry. In wet weather dust with sulphur to prevent mildew. Don't plant too close to stone walls—they are damp. Set far enough apart to get good air circulation. Divide the roots every three or four years to keep plants vigorous and flowers large. Destroy all seedlings—they turn to ugly magenta colors and are so vigorous they crowd out named varieties.

Charles Curtis Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Ten \$6.00

Brilliant sunset red. Does not fade. 30 inches high.



Count Zeppelin Each 70c, Three, \$1.70, Ten \$5.00
Pure white with vermilion-red eye. Mid-season. 30 inches high.

**Katherine** Each 70c, Three, \$1.70, Ten \$5.00 The best of the light blues and it does not fade.

Lillian Each 70c, Three, \$1.70, Ten \$5.00

Delicate large pink flowers. Mid-season. 30 inches high.

Mary Louise Each 70c, Three, \$1.70, Ten \$5.00

Startlingly white large flowers. Late season, 30 inches

high.

Mies Copyn (new) Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Ten \$6.75

A giant new Dutch introduction—clear pink with carmine center, Rugged.

Pinkette Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Ten \$6.00
Faint tinge of pink with a darker eye.

Rembrandt Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Ten \$6.00
Enormous pure white and an excellent cutflower. Midseason.

Salmon Beauty Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Ten \$5.00
Salmon-pink flowers with white eye. Mid-season. 30 inches high.

San Antonio Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Ten \$5.00

Very dark mid-season red.

Sir John Falstaff (new) Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Ten \$6.75
A giant with a rich, luminous salmon-pink color. The individual pips or blooms are nearly 2 Inches in diameter.

Von Lassburg Each 70c, Three \$1.70, Ten \$5.00
Good for the background of a border. White blooms in mid-season on trusses 36 inches high.

White Admiral (new) Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Ten \$6.75
Enormous white heads with side branches that prolong blooming beyond the normal Phlox season.

World Peace Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Ten \$6.75
A heavy growing pure white having dark green, glossy

A heavy growing pure white having dark green, glossy foliage and it blooms, believe it or not, in September.

A White Phlox Garden \$8.99

In one package—a pure white garden that will bloom vigorously a long time. Here three plants each of Mary Louise, Rembrandt, White Admiral, Von Lassburg and World Peace. (15 plants; a \$10.50 value.)

#### A Pink and White Phlox Garden \$10.95

We have always believed in massing colors of the same tone—or in massing not more than two contrasting tones. These pinks blend well—three each of Lillian, Pinkette and Sir John Falstaff, particularly when separated with three each of the following whites—White Admiral, Rembrandt and Von Lassburg. (18 plants; a \$13.00 value.)

#### PHLOX DIVARICATA

\*Canadensis

Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25

Dwarf blue phlox that blooms with Botanical Tulips in
April. Grows about 15 inches tall, has heavy small broad
leaves and is covered with clusters of flowers in early
spring. Enjoys some shade.

# PHLOX SUBULATA (Mountain or Moss Pinks)

These usable plants have pleasant moss-like foliage and when in bloom are covered with vivid flowers. Most varieties multiply rapidly. Cover bare spots or use as edging or as individuals in the rock garden. They require full sun; soil, dry and sandy and not too rich. Our large pads of each variety can be divided into 8 to 10 plants. (Neighbors' gifts are apt to have magenta colored flowers.)

\*Alba Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25

Pure white.

#### \*Emerald Cushion Pink

Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25
Bright pink on dark green foliage. Phlox Continued

#### \*Emerald Cushion Blue

Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25

Blue form of above.

#### \*Vivid

Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25 Bright pink with darker pink eye.

# PHLOX SUFFRUTICOSA (Early Phlox)

Miss Lingard Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Ten \$6.00

The ever popular early white phlox with long tubular flower heads. Blooms from June until late Summer.

# You Choose, We Choose Phlox Gardens

### You Choose, We Choose Phlox Selection #1 \$4.25

You choose one each of any three varieties of any kind of Phlox; we choose one each of any four, limiting our choices to Phlox Decussata. (7 varieties, 7 plants, value about \$5.50).

You Choose, We Choose Phlox Selection #2 \$7.95
Two each as above. (7 varieties, 14 plants, value about

\$10.00).

You Choose, We Choose Phlox Selection #3 \$11.75

Three each as above. (7 varieties, 21 plants, value about \$14.00).

#### PLATYCODON (Balloon Flower)

Requires a light sandy soil, well drained. Put in full sun. Do not disturb after planting. Once established it is rewarding — colored bells on 20 inch stems are excellent cut flowers and the plants bloom all summer.

**Grandiflorum** Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25 Deep blue bells on 20 inch stems. Single.

**Grandiflorum Album** Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25 White form of the above.

#### **Grandiflorum Shell Pink**

Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Ten \$6.00 Soft shell-pink. The coloring is at its best when grown in semi-shade.

# **PYRETHRUM** (Painted Daisy)

Plant Spring or early Fall in ordinary soil in groups of 3 plants, each about a foot apart.

Robinson's Crimson Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Ten \$6.00
Large, single disc-like flowers of rich crimson. A favorite

Roseum Each 80c, Three \$2,00, Ten \$6.00

Deep pink double flowers.

Scarlet Glow Each 95c, Three \$2.35, Ten \$6.75
A new and large single flower of deep scarlet.

#### SCABIOSA (Pincushion Flower)

Here is the perennial form of this popular annual and nothing could be more satisfactory, It is completely hardy; likes full sun. Scabiosa produces huge pincushion-shaped flowers on 24 inch stems the whole summer.

Caucasica Alba Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Ten \$6.00

Pure white flowers. Likes a sandy loam and full sun.

Caucasica Goldensis Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Ten \$6.00 Light blue form of the above.

#### Caucasica, Isaac House Hybrids

Each 80c, Three \$2.00, Ten \$6.00

Mixed shades of azure-blue and lavender to deep blue and silvery white.

### SEDUM (Stonecrop)

Interesting fleshy leaved plants for the rockery. Full sun and poor soil suit them best. What more do you want in a plant?

\*Spectabile Brilliant Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25
Heavy, thick grey-green folioge with flower clusters of bright rose-red from late July until October. About 18 inches tall.

#### Royal Horticultural Society's Great Dictionary of Gardening

This new (published 1952) Dictionary of Gardening replaces the indispensable Nickolson's Encyclopedia which has been out of print for years and out of date for longer. It describes every plant suitable for growing in the temperate zone and there is much fine data on tropical and subtropical plants. Each genus is described, is followed by descriptions of individual species within the aenus and descriptions of hybrids widely grown. Definitions also cover common garden terms. Unlike most once-over-lightly books for amateurs, these fine scientific volumes take the trouble to list and define mulch, pricking out, June drop, etc., etc. This dictionary is indispensable for the serious gardeners certainly every garden club should have one for reference. Four volumes: 2316 pages. Profusely illustrated, Price: \$55.00 including delivery.

#### SPIRAEA (Astilbe)

A good hardworking plant for the border. It throws pleasant flowers in June and July, then bushes out with decorative foliage. It grows anywhere in full sun, in any soil. Use in groups of three in the foreground.

Avalanche Each \$1.10, Three \$2.90, Ten \$7.75

Pure white flowers on 18-inch stems. Deeply cut dark-

green foliage.

Fanal Each \$1.10. Three \$2.90. Ten \$7.75

Brilliant carmen-red flowers, Foliage a dark reddish areen, 18 inches high.

**Rheinland** Each \$1.10, Three \$2.90, Ten \$7.75

Delicate pink spires.

# LIATRIS (Blazing Star or Gayfeather)

Thrives in ordinary soils, in sun or shade, can be grown at water-side. Plant in groups of three at back of border. In our opinion Liatris has been neglected by gardeners. Excellent for cutting.

#### Scariosa September Glory

Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25

Purple flowers all come into bloom on 6 foot spikes.

Scariosa White Spires Each 75c, Three \$1.80, Ten \$5.25 White form of September Glory.

# Garden Gadgets

Forks, hoes, rakes, spades or what common garden tools you need—we don't have them. Buy them from your favorite hardware dealer; he has as good as we can get. Over the years we have found few special-purpose garden tools that lived up to their promotions. Here is the only one we recommend.

#### Dutch Hook Each \$2.75

This is the small, forged, sharp weeder the Dutch use for hooking weeds out of daffodil and fulip rows. We use it for all kinds of close weeding. It has an 18-inch handle—you have to stoop. No one else has this tool.

#### Krasco Hand Grass Seeder Each \$4.95

A small hand tool working on the principle (centrifugal) of big farm tractor seeders. It will spread Bent and Bluegrass evenly and at the same time—something no \$15 hand-pushed seeder will do. Also, it is the only seeder that will distribute our Special Lawn Grass Seed, mostly a mixture of Fescues.

# Howering Shrubs

More and more gardeners are planting more and more flowering shrub borders. They are extremely valuable for screening, take a minimum of care and are a truly permanent planting. Careful selection will provide bloom throughout the summer.

Planting: Dig a hole (placing the topsoil on one side) 8 to 10 inches wider and deeper than you need to accommodate the roots. Place the plant. Put the topsoil in the bottom of the hole. When all the topsoil has been used, water thoroughly. Then finish with the subsoil and leave a dish of earth about 18 inches in diameter with a 6-inch rim. Fill with water—and fill at least once a week during the first summer. If you live nearby you might want Easimove shrubs—they've been grown in their own ample tarpaper pots. They have beary root balls: won't know they have been moved.



These shrubs grow erect and stately and bloom their heads off from July to frost. Ultimate height is about 10 feet.

Celestial Blue Each \$1.75, Three \$4.75

A true blue Althea. Flowers are single, large, disk-like and profuse. One of the few shrubs that blossoms in July and August.

W. R. Smith

Each \$1.75, Three \$4.75

Like the above in habit and time of bloom but pure white. Perfect for screening or specimen. Celestial Blue and W. R. Smith should really be planted together for best effect.

# **AZALEA** (The Hardy Mollis)

Azalea Mollis is a plant of gorgeous variety and beauty; it is very hardy; and, contrary to popular beliaf, it does not require an acid soil. All Azalea Mollis wants is a respectable soil, an occasional top dressing of well rotted cow manure (or dried cow dung); it does not require an inordinate amount of water. Mollis does well in shade but prefers full sun. Do not cultivate deeply as the fine root mass is very close to the surface.

To get blooms in profusion year after year pick off the pods before seeds mature. If planted where temperatures go below 10 degrees minus, tops should be covered to prevent buds from blasting. We are sorry, but we are behind on deliveries with some of the named varieties. We suggest, though, that you order now for future delivery. These shipping plants are heavily budded, most will bloom the first season.



Chevalier de Reali

Each \$5.00, Three \$14.00

Large flowers of pale lemon-yellow.

Directeur Moerlands Each \$5.00, Three \$14.00

Soft pale yellow shading somewhat to apricot-yellow.

**Dr. M. Osthoek** Each \$5.00, Three \$14.00

Brilliant fiery azalea-plnk with a soft almost burnt-orange glow.

Koster's Brilliant Red

first season.

Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00, Doz. \$40.00

As named, a brilliant, vermilion-red.

Christopher Wren Each \$4.00, Three \$11 JU Fine orange-yellow with enormous trusses. New.

Hort H. Witte Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00

Orange-vellow with trusses more finely drawn.

**.emonorα** Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00

Delicate apricot-yellow tinted pink, very large trusses.

Queen Emma Each \$4.00. Three \$11.00

Fine orange, tinted salmon, huge trusses.

Mixed Varieties Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00, Doz. \$25.00

These run the gamut of Azalea shades—amber, salmonorange, copper, gold, yellow, flame+ed, etc. Ultimate height runs from 3 to 6 feet. Shipping stock is three years old; it has flower buds and some will bloom a bit the

# AZALEA PONTICA (Hardy Ghent Azaleas)

These are even hardier than Azalea Mollis but their blooming time, soil requirements and general habit of growth are the same. Their special merit, besides extreme hardiness, is the unusual range of colors in the group. While the flowers are not as large as Mollis, they have equal brilliance and to many fanciers their variations of tint are more spectacular. Plants offered are 14 to 18 inches high with flowering buds.

Daviesi Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00
Almost white with traces of pink.

Bouquet de Flore Each \$3.00, Three \$7.75

Brilliant clusters of deep pink.

Nancy Waterer Each \$3.00, Three \$7.75

Clusters of golden yellow.

Sang de Gentbrugge Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00
The most vivid and brilliant red you ever saw.

Coccinea speciosa Each \$3.00, Three \$7.75

Finest deep orange, midseason.

Gloria mundi Each \$3.00, Three \$7.75

Another fine orange, midseason variety.

Ignea Nova Each \$3.00, Three \$7.75

Large carmine-red with yellow blotch. Late.

Raphael de Smet Each \$3.00, Three \$7.75

Pale pink, double and midseason.

#### **EUONYMUS**

This is the most versatile and easiest grown of shrubs. It has uses everywhere.

Radicans vegetus Each \$2.00, Three \$5.75, Doz. \$20.00
Trimmed, it can be grown as a shrub or hedge; left uncut
and planted around the base of old trees, it will climb
30 feet or more, densely covering the trunk. As a wall
cover it is in a class with ivy. You can't eat it but that's
about all you can't do with it. It is evergreen and absolutely hardy. 15 to 18 inch plants.

Alatus compactus Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00, Doz. \$25.00

A dwarf (ultimate height 6 feet) with unbelievable brilliance of foliage in the autumn. It requires nothing special in soils, does well in shade, is of compact growth—all the requirements for the ideal hedge. As specimen plants in the lawn or shrub border (or in foundation plantings) they have no equal.

# CARYOPTERIS (Hardy Blue Spires)

This is a low-growing shrub which blooms after most other flowering shrubs—from August until frost. It is covered with clusters of powdery-blue, fringed flowers. The plant is a nice rounded mound upon maturity—from 18-24 inches tall and about 2 feet in diameter. Foliage is lance-olated and silvery green. In very cold climates Caryop-

Caryopteris Continued
AUTUMN, 1954 17

White Flower Farm

teris tops kill back to the roots. This doesn't hurt the plant at all—the new growth is luxuriant and it blooms heavily. Strongly rooted plants.

Blue Mist

Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

# CLETHRA ALNIFOLIA (Sweet Pepperbush)

A slow growing shrub reaching a height of not over 10 feet upon maturity. The leaves are two-toned green and quite lovely; they turn to bright clear yellow in autumn. It does best in low, wet places (or in moist uplands) and because it grows well in half shade it is an excellent shrub for naturalizing. Order in pink or white.

**18 to 24 inch plants** Each \$1.75, Three \$4.75, Doz. \$17.50

# COTONEASTER

(The Queen of Shrubs)

Let it be said that it is one Queen of Shrubs and perhaps the Chinese were somewhat over-enthusiastic in calling it The Queen. It is outstanding, however, for the rich colors of its autumnal foliage and for the conspicuous clusters of berries ranging in color from brilliant orange-scarlet through varying shades of red to black. They are preceded by a profusion of pinky-white flowers wreathing the small branches. Because they thrive in shade or sun, in damp or dry soils, they are extremely usable.

Apiculata Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00, Doz. \$25.00

This so-called Cranberry Cotoneaster is a dwarf reaching about 4 feet in height. Its arching branches are weighed down with bright crimson fruit in the fall and its foliage is shiny green through December. Hardy.

Divaricata

Each \$2.50. Three \$7.00

Grows from 5 to 6 feet high and has a graceful spreading habit. It has small polished green leaves and thousands of red egg-shaped berries. In the fall the leaves turn brilliantly.

#### HYPERICUM

There are several varieties of this fine low-growing shrub that flowers brilliantly from early summer until stopped by frost. They make excellent specimen plantings in the perennal border or in the foreground of shrub plantings. We list only "Sungold"—it just happens to be the best Hypericum and we've forgotten about the others.

#### 'Sungold' (Patent #518)

Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00, Doz. \$25.00 Hardy, shapely and a true dwarf. It is almost perfectly oval, grows  $2V_2$  to 3 feet in diameter, holds its height to about 24 inches. Its dense foliage is a fine green all summer. Blooms are cymes of golden flowers at the end of each shoot of the summer's new growth. They are produced in tremendous quantities all summer.



### CYDONIA (Flowering Quince)

This is one of the earliest blooming shrubs. Quince stands alone as a specimen shrub or, trimmed, they make excellent hedges. Ultimate height reaches 6 feet. The first two varieties offered are hybrids. Stock is extremely limited on these two.

Nivalis

Each \$3.50, Three \$9.75

This is the best pure white quince.

Charming

Each \$3.50, Three \$9.75, Doz. \$35.00

Large, soft coral flowers deepening in color at the tips of the petals. It's an orderly plant reaching a height of 6 feet at maturity. Shipping plants are about 2 feet.

Knaphill Scarlet Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00, Doz. \$40.00

This is an English origination, a dwarf — eight-year-old specimens are not more than 18 inches high and about that measurement in width. In early spring, Knaphill Scarlet is a small mound of big vermilion-red flowers.

Stanford Red Each \$3.50

Each \$3.50, Three \$9.75, Doz. \$35.00

The buds open Geranium-red and deepen to blood red. It is excellent for cutting and it is almost thornless. Ultimate height 6 feet. Shipping stock about 2½ feet high and most will blossom their first season.

Spitfire (Patent #830)

Each \$3.00, Three \$8.25

This excellent plant grows upright to 6 or 7 feet but it can be held down to 4 or 5 feet by clipping twice a year—no side pruning is necessary. Flowers are large and of deep crimson-red. Shipping stock is nearly 3 feet high

Japonica

Each \$2.00, Three \$5.75, Doz. \$20.00

This is the old favorite. It is covered with masses of coralred flowers and recommended because it is cheap for screening or hedging.

#### HYDRANGEA

These useful shrubs are offered here in two types. Both are extremely hardy. The plants are not fussy but do best in full sun in well-drained locations.

Nikko Blue Each \$2.00, Three \$5.75, Doz. \$20.00

Huge blue cones on long canes which die down each winter.

H. Praecox 2-3 feet, Each \$2.00, Three \$5.75, Doz. \$20.00
Ultimate height of this plant is about 4 feet. Flowers are

#### FLOWERING ALMOND

cone shaped, open pink, turn to white.

Glandulosa Alba

Each \$2.00, Three \$5.75

Small, very double white rosettes of flowers in great profusion in late April and early May. Ultimate height: 4 to 5 feet.

Glandulosā Rosea

Each \$2.00, Three \$5.75

Very double, rose-colored form of the above.

### DEUTZIA

All Deutzias are showy flowering shrubs having extremely bushy habits of growth. In May their heavy folioge almost completely disappears under a blanket of small, frilled, bell-like flowers.

Gracilis

Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

This variety seldom reaches a height of 3 feet and is excellent as a low hedge. It is covered in May with flowers of purest white and it tolerates light shade.

Crenata Suspensa Each \$2.00, Three \$5.75, Doz. \$20.00

A new hybrid producing larger, single, snow white flowers. It grows to 4 feet and makes excellent mid-ground material for the shrub border.

### PHILADELPHUS (Mockorange)

Atlas (Giant Mockorange) Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00

It is the flowers that are giants, not the plants, although they will attain a considerable size if not pruned. The huge blossoms (3 inches across) are as large as Dogwood blooms and they make excellent cut flowers—so you will prune. Philadelphus is hardy, requiring no special culture.

Enchantment (Double)

Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00

Its branches are erect and on maturity the bush rarely grows over 6 feet. The flowers, set very closely, are double and sweetly fragrant. It will grow well in light shade.

Innocence

Each \$2.50, Three \$7.00

An alabaster-white mockorange producing heavily.

Flowers are delicately fragrant. Height at maturity is about 6 feet.

#### SALIX (Willow)

French Pussy Willow Each \$1.25, Three \$3.50, Doz. \$12.00

Not the unreliable wild Pussy Willow but a fine French
cultivated variety. You see branches of these selling in
florist shops for \$5.00 a dozen during the later winter
months. So grow them yourself. Cut the ends of branches
in January or February and place in water indoors. The
large, silver-pink catkins (1 to 2 inches long) will start
unfolding shortly and will last in a cool room for two
weeks. When planting cut the branches back to 6 inches
to promate long, vigorous new canes. Keep pruning
heavily each spring (offer catkins have formed) or Salix
will grow to 10 feet.

#### VIBURNUM

One of the most fragrant and beautifu! shrubs. After flowering in the spring they make heavy mounds of dark green clear to the ground and in the fall they turn brilliantly.

Burkwoodi

Each \$5.00, Three \$14.00

This new English hybrid is a most amenable plant—it thrives in sun or shady places. It is also low-growing (6 feet upon maturity) and ideal for today's smaller establishments. Flowers are produced in early spring when leaf buds are unfolding and form round, domed clusters which are fragrant enough to perfume a neighborhood. Foliage is shiny dark green in summer; turns brilliant in autumn. Shipping-size plants 2 to 3 feet.

Carlesi

Each \$5.00, Three \$14.00

Flower domes are, of course, as fragrant as Burkwoodi although slightly smaller. It, too, is very hardy and easily grown. Carlesi reaches 10 feet upon maturity and when planted close on a line makes a sensational screen or big hedge.

Carlcephalum

Each \$7.50, Three \$20.00

An origination from England just before the war. Blossom clusters are much larger than the other types of Viburnum; color, though, is similar. Very fragrant. Foliage turns red. (Patented.) We like it, but that's no test—we like all Viburnums.

# LILACS (The French Hybrids)

If you like the old-fashioned lilacs (and who doesn't) you'll certainly want these lovely things. The hybridizers have been working with them, particularly the great French horticulturist Lemoine, and Lilacs are now works of art. The trusses are huge and many varieties make excellent cut flowers. All of these new Lilacs come into bloom at a much younger age than the old ones.

Ambassadeur Each \$3.50, Three \$9.75



Broad spikes of very large single flowers of azure-lilac lightened by a conspicuous white center.

Esther Staley

Each \$5.00

This is the only pink lilac to date. Buds are red, flowers single. It is a fine and rare plant. Midseason. 2 to 3 feet. (Patented).

Charles Joly

Each \$3.50, Three \$9.75

Large double flower of violet color shading almost to red. **Hugo Koster**Each \$3.50. Three \$9.75

Double large flowers of mauve.

Macrostachia

Each \$3.50. Three \$9.75

Huge single flowers, truly pink.

Marie Finon

Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00

Trusses covered with immense double flowers of purest alabaster white.

Waldeck Rosseau

Each \$3.50, Three \$9.75

Another double pink, this of most delicate tone.

Mme. Buchner

Each \$3.50. Three \$9.75

Large rich double pink flowers.

Marie Legraye

Each \$3.50, Three \$9.75

Single, pure white.

Mme. Lemoine

Each \$3.50, Three \$9.75

Large double white.

Michael Buchner
Double lilac-blue.

Each \$3.50, Three \$9.75

President Falliers

Each \$3.50, Three \$9.75

Double pure lilac.

Large, rich, immense, huge, pure—we wish these words didn't seem to lose their meanings in describing the new Lilacs. But you don't have to worry, pick any Lilac from this list by colors and we promise you won't be disappointed.

#### **FORSYTHIA-SPRING GLORY**

This is the Bush that grew in Brooklyn—the common varieties are everywhere and although they are quite beautiful, Spring Glory is so much more beautiful that we urge you to get it instead of accepting a chunk of root of a common variety from an obliging neighbor. Spring Glory produces twice as many flowers as common Forsythia. Also, the blossoms are larger and of a pale yellow that is more pleasing than the usual citrons. Like ordinary Forsythia, branches cut and brought indoors during January and February burst into bloom a few days later.

2 to 3 feet

Each \$1.75, Three \$4.65, Doz. \$18.60 Each \$2.25, Three \$6.25, Doz. \$22.50

#### FORSYTHIA-LYNWOOD GOLD

3 to 4 feet

Each \$2.50, Three \$6.75, Doz. \$25.00

#### SPIRAEA

A fine group of shrubs that are sun-loving but able to withstand almost any abuse in location and soil condition.

Japonica Coccinea Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00, Doz. \$15.00

This replaces the older variety Anthony Waterer. Its flowers are crimson-red. It blooms in July, normally a bare month for blooms in shrubbery. The color does not fade in the sun and if old flowers are cut off it will continue to bloom all summer. Coccinea reaches 3 feet in height.

#### Vanhouttei (Bridal Wreath)

Each \$1.25, Three \$3.50, Doz. \$12.00

An arching shrub growing about 5 to 6 feet. The slender branches are covered with panicles of white flowers in late May and early June. It is not new but it is a favorite.

# POTENTILLA FRUITICOSA (Gold Drop)

We call this a mighty fine small shrub. It has compact growth, a slightly irregular mound-like shape about 2 to 2½ feet upon maturity. It is densely covered with small fernlike leaves and it blooms vigorously from early June to late October. The buttercup-like flowers are intensely golden yellow and literally stud the plant. It does best in full sun and is hardy below zero. It is a consistent and

Potentiila Continued

White Flower Farm

AUTUMN, 1954 19

persistent flowerer and if spaced 12 inches apart it makes the most delightful low, flowering hedge you can imagine.

Heavy-rooted Plants Each \$2.00, Three \$5.75, Doz. \$20.00

#### WEIGELA

Lovely shrubs flowering in May, June and July. Their Foxglove-like flowers are borne in profusion. Most Weigela like a moist soil and should stand without competition from the shade or roots of large trees.

**Bristol Ruby** Each \$1.75, Three \$4.75, Doz. \$17.50

Immense quantities of ruby-red flowers in the spring. The plant then blooms on and off during the rest of the season. Height at maturity is 6-7 feet. This is the best Weigela for specimen planting or forward border work.

**Eva Ratke** Each \$1.00, Three \$2.75, Doz. \$8.50

Dark rose-red flowers in the spring. Matures at 7 to 8 feet and because it grows close to the ground is fine for screening.

Rosea

Each \$1.50, Three \$4.00

Rose-pink flowers, blooms May-June. Excellent for screening.

# KOLKWITZIA AMABILIS (Beauty Bush)

A favorite of pink bell-shaped flowers in June. It tolerates poor or dry sandy soil and is of easiest culture. The foliage is heavy and covers the plant to the ground. Height, 8 feet.

Each \$2.25, Three \$6.25, Six \$12.00

# LONICERA (Honevsuckie Bush)

Tatarica

Each \$1.25, Three \$3.50, Doz. \$12.00

An upright but spreading shrub bearing pink and white flowers in late May and June. Fragrant. An excellent shrub for screening as it reaches 10 feet.

# Visit Litchfield Village

Litchfield is one of America's most beautiful small towns and if you haven't seen it, maybe you should. We boast a fine Inn, The Westleigh. Another attraction — one of New England's best Antique shops, Floyd Thoms'. All this and White Flower Farm (3.5 miles south of Litchfield on #63).

# Broadleaf Evergreens

These include the hardy Holly, Mountain Laurel, Daphne cneorum and, of course, Rhododendron. They are used either in foundation plantings or in the flowering shrub border.

#### MOUNTAIN ANDROMEDA

Pieris Japonica

15 to 18 inches, \$6.00

Mountain Andromeda is a dense slow-growing shrub reaching a maximum height of about six feet. Slow growth and broad, dull green leaves are its great assets, not the small white flowers in spring. Grows in shade.

### ILEX (Holly)

There is only one hardy Holly, Convexa, and it is as hardy as an oak. It is a choice evergreen with shiny boxwood-like leaves so thick the branches don't show. (It does not have the conventional Christmas Holly leaf or red berries—that Holly is not hardy.) Convexa is a very bushy plant—it grows 4 feet high and about 3 feet across. It can't be beat as an accent plant and it is ideal for small evergreen hedges. Each plant is shipped with a small ball of earth.

Convexa, 12 to 15 inches

Each \$4.00, Three \$11.00

#### HYBRID RHODODENDRONS

These hybrids need part shade and some protection from cold northwest winter wind. They do, however, require an acid soil—load it heavily with peat moss and leaf mold. When ordering these named hybrids, please specify color wanted—they come in shades of soft rosy lilac, white, lavender, bright red. Plant them in banks and either mix colors or keep three of a shade together.

#### Named Hybrids, 12-15 inches

\$5.00

#### R. Cunninghami

A dwarf spreading type covered with a mass of white flowers in June, Likes a slightly alkaline soil and does best in partial shade protected from hot winds. A fine foundation plant for the modern or ranch-type dwelling. Cunninghami is scarce and if you cannot get good specimens in your neighborhood we will ship 15-18 inch plants, heavily balled and-burlapped, express collect. Please add \$2.50 to one plant for crating costs, \$5.00 for three plants. No shipments after April 10th.

12 to 15 inch (spread) \$5.00; 15 to 18 inch \$7.50, 18 to 24 inch \$10.00

#### PYRACANTHA (Firethorn)

Coccinea Lalandi

Each \$2.25. Three \$6.25

This excellent evergreen shrub, after bearing trusses of white flowers in late spring, produces a crop of small orange-scarlet berries which remain until late winter. Birds like them. Good for dry foundation plantings. Thrives in protected well-drained locations.

# Ornamental Trees

Trees for shade and flowering trees are a necessity in any landscape. Herewith some of the best and most popular ornamentals.

### ACER (Maple)

A. Platanoides Schwedleri nigra. Crimson King Maple. (Patented) This European origination is a brilliant crimson throughout the season.

6 to 7 feet, \$8.00 each.

### **CORNUS** (Flowering Dogwood)

C. florida. America's native flowering tree. The white form. Needs southern exposure in windy, very cold locations to keep buds from blasting.

2 to 5 feet, \$5.00 to \$15.00 each.

C. florida rubra. Rose-red form of the above.

2 to 5 feet, \$6.00 to \$15.00 each.

# HAWTHORNS (Crataegus Oxyacantha)

The English Hawthorn is a completely hardy flowering shrub or small tree with spreading branches and stout spines. Left unclipped it will grow to about 15 feet and is ideal for the small lawn where a Maple would be too big and throw too much shade. Large clusters of flowers are produced in tremendous quantities in the spring and are followed by scarlet fruit.

Autumn Glory

Each \$5.50, Three \$15.00

Big clusters of white blooms followed by berries of brilliant red which stay well into the winter.

Paul's Scarlet English Hawthorn Each \$5.50, Three \$15.00

A brilliant rosy-red, double-flowering variety.

# PRUNUS (Almonds & Peaches)

This group of extremely floriferous small trees is of remarkable beauty, highly recommended for the small

Unless you specify otherwise we urge you to permit careful substitution in all kinds of plant material except flowering trees and shrubs. IMPORTANT USE A RULER AND TEAR HERE R Jordan 7-8602 LITCHFIELD, CONNECTICUT **≩** Cable Address: Whiteflower --1 |L I ≥

Total Yes ž All shipments are PREPAID. See last line (below) and paragraph #3 of CONDITIONS OF SALE (over). Unit Price (Please print.) Ship to: Catalogue Description (Please print.) Ordered by: Quantity Date:

Do not enclose cash. Use money order or check. Have you any special instruction? If so, attach a note to this form.

Please add 3% sales tax to the above subtotal for orders shipped to Connecticut addresses

No additional charge

for split shipments.

Add \$2.25 for orders All orders over \$35.00 from \$20.00 to \$34.95. shipped free.

Add \$1.25 for orders from \$10.00 to \$19.95.

Add 75 cents for orders up to \$9.95.

Add transport service charge on

this line.

If this is a gift have you enclosed your card?

Subtotal

Note: Because different plants are best moved at different times your order may require two or three shipments. WARRANTY
In case of damaged shipments notify your express agent and us immediately. We will reship at once and help collect the express claim. All other claims should reach us within thirty days. Our replacement policy is liberal but we cannot be responsible for damage beyond our control.

signature here, please

If a charge, your

Total:

# CONDITIONS OF SALE (Please Read Before Ordering)

#### By Mail Order

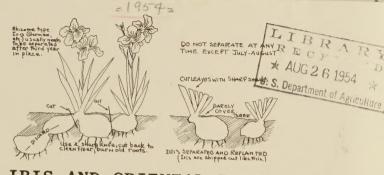
(Please order early.)

- Plants are sold only as quoted. If a per each price is not quoted, no offering of the material is made on that basis.
- Remittances must accompany order unless an account has previously been set up. Please use checks, money orders or bank drafts
   —never cash. If you live in Connecticut the 3% sales tax must be added.
- 3. We make a flat transportation service charge based on the dollar amount of an order and prepay all charges Parcel Post or Railway Express. (Note last line of order form.) This fee eliminates the problem of your being billed on each individual shipment and the further nuisance of having to pay two and sometimes three small charges, no one of which amounts to a dollar. (See Paragraph 5.) The fee also eliminates delay in getting material to you packages never go back to the express office for re-delivery because you weren't at home to take care of a C.O.D. Orders up to \$9.95 carry a 75 cent transportation service charge; up to \$19.95 the charge is \$1.25; up to \$34.95 add \$2.25; orders over \$35.00 are shipped free.
- 4. About the You Choose, We Choose Selections. Customers' choices will always be filled true to variety as long as stocks are available. In the event a variety is sold out we reserve the right to substitute an equally or a more expensive variety (never a less expensive one) without consulting the customer.
- 5. We ship all plants, roses, shrubs and bulbs at a time when they are best planted in your locality. Because some plants can only be transplanted at specified times two or three shipments may be required to fill your order.
- 6. The replacement policy of White Flower Farm is liberal. The majority of our customers are advanced gardeners who know how to take care of flowering material and as a consequence we have very little replacing to do. However, if a shipment reaches you dam-

- aged or in bad condition (the date it leaves The Farm is plainly marked on each package) please let us know at once. It will be replaced immediately. All other complaints or problems should be brought to our attention within 30 days, if possible.
- 7. When reporting errors in orders please include your name and address—there are a surprising number of people who forget this.
- 8. We reserve the right to reject orders for field-grown bare root material if, in our opinion, the distance or delivery time is so long that this premium stock might suffer deterioration in transit. Parcel post and express service are about half as good as they were prewar and this sharply restricts shipment of field-grown stock like Delphinium, Columbine, Lilacs, etc. Potted plants (like Chrysanthemums) are not a problem and generally can be shipped safely anywhere.
- 9. We urge you to permit us to substitute if material is sold out and cannot be back-ordered for planting the next season. We will send you the nearest variety to the ordered material, taking particular care that color and season of bloom are the same and that habits of growth are similar. Substitutions cause no particular difficulty in bulbs or flowering plants. We will not substitute in the flowering shrub and small tree category but will back-order the material or refund your money.

#### At the Sales Center

- Material that must be dug for you in the gardens is sold only as quoted herein. If a per each price is not quoted, no offering of the material is made on that basis. All other plants, shrubs, roses, and bulbs are sold as marked in The Sales Center.
- 2. Orders requiring digging must be paid for in advance.
- No replacements can be made on Easimove plants unless we are notified within two weeks. They are healthy, vigorous material when purchased from The Sales Center and failures with them are rarely traced to the plant.
- 4. No replacements can be made on cut flowers bought at The Sales Center. They are guaranteed to be not over 24 hours old and have been specially conditioned for at least 12 hours in our refrigerator.



# ORDER IRIS AND ORIENTAL POPPIES NOW...

Each \$2.00. Three \$5 /5

Best planting time for Iris is during the next eight weeks (except Japanese, which should be moved in early spring). Ditto Oriental Poppies. You'll get some bloom next year and a full display the year following.

The best varieties are listed in Fall edition of the catalogue, now in your hands. By ordering early you'll be sure to get the varieties you want -- so, please sit down and order early.

White Flower Farm



40c 26 9 13 AM 250

U. S. Dept. of Agriculture Library Washington 25, D.C. plot, and all are hardy.

#### P. Icebera

Each \$2.00. Three \$5.75

Pure white double flowering Peach. Prune back to 8 inches after flowering, Plant only in spring. Prices above are bare root only.

# P. Pink Charming Each \$2.00, Three \$5.75 Double rose-pink flowering Peach. Treat as above. Prices bare root only.

### MALUS (Flowering Crabs)

Among the small flowering trees, the Crabs are by far the most sensational group—they stand alone in profusion of bloom, only the ornamental cherries are close to them. None equals them in hardiness or in ability to bloom in exposures that blast the buds of more delicate flowering trees.

Even the smallest plot can support one fine Crabapple; fence lines on farms or estates planted with Crabs on 25 foot centers become tree lines of rare beauty in a few years. All stock for shipment is three years old and trees generally bloom a year after planting.

#### Crimson Brilliant

Each \$7.00

A most brilliant red flowering crab. It becomes more and more floriferous as it grows older; is of extreme hardiness and can be grown anywhere. Upon maturity it reaches about 15 feet, about the limit for small gardens. It is a new variety and the supply is very limited. Only the earliest orders can be filled. (Plant Patent #939.)

#### Floribunda Hilleri

Each \$5.00

This new English origination replaces older Floribunda. The flowers, nearly an inch in diameter, are semi-double and of crimson color in the bud. They open to bright pink and cover the tree with heavy clusters of bloom. It's a late bloomer. Ultimate height is from 10-12 feet.

#### Kaido or Fragrant Crab

ach \$5.0

When fully grown Kaido is upright, almost pyramid in form. It is not much more than 4 feet wide and matures at 8-10 feet. In the bud it is rose pink and blooms open to rich clear pink. Blooms are deliciously fragrant.

#### Pink Weeper Crab

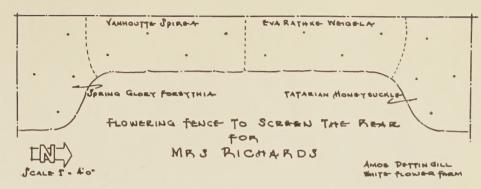
Each \$3.50, Three \$9.75

A splendid specimen plant for the lawn which grows from 12-15 feet high. The weeping branches, covered with crimson-purple blossoms, droop to the ground. Shipping plants 4 to 5 feet.

#### Irene

Each \$6.50, Three \$17.50

A fine new hybrid crab apple. Dwarf tree or shrub with large rose-red flowers, purplish leaves and purple fruit. Mature tree is more spreading than upright. Eight year old tree should be about 5 to 6 feet tall, about 6 to 7 feet wide. Shipping plants 3 to 4 feet.



# The Flowering Fence-Beautiful, Economical

No, not Rosa Multiflora, but a fence of fast-growing flowering shrubs that provides privacy and beauty at very low cost. (Use Rose Multiflora only on farms.) This flowering fence is made up of bush Honeysuckle, Weigelia, Vanhouttei Spirea and upright Forsythia. Forsythia starts the parade of bloom, a procession that doesn't end until July. (Weigelia usually can be depended upon to throw a light second crop of flowers in late fall.) This fence can be kept pruned to a 4 to 6 foot height, or let grow to provide a 12 foot screen. Space the plants according to the plans, using either curved or straight border lines.

Planting: If you can't put these shrubs into the ground immediately, open the package and wet the plants thoroughly. Dig large holes and throw the topsoil to one side, the subsoil to the other. (Dig them all before you bring out the plants.) Use no fertilizer in the hole at planting time. Set the plants slightly deeper than we grew them in the nursery (you can tell from the soil line), putting the topsoil in the bottom of the hole. (Unpack plants one by

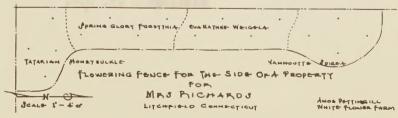
one and keep roots away from sun or drying wind.) Shake the plant gently to firm the roots and then pour a couple of gallons of water in the hole. Fill up with subsoil, and as you fill, tramp the dirt into place. Then make a dish of dirt with a radius of about 10 inches around the plant. Fill this up with water. Then fill again. (When dry weather comes be sure to fill these dishes of dirt with water at least once a week.)

This fence can be made more attractive by planting Spring-flowering bulbs (Crocus, Narcissus, Botanical Tulips, Snowdrops, Scilla) under it next fall. When the fence has grown enough to provide ground-shade, usually the second year, put in Pachysandra or Myrtle (or both) as a ground cover.

#### 40 feet of Flowering Fence

\$14.95

Four plants each of Forsythia, Weigelia, Lonicera and Vanhouttei Spirea — 16 plants, pruned back to two feet, heavily rooted. Must be bought in units of 40 feet. Regular catalogue value about \$25.00.





White Flower Farm
LITCHFIELD, CONNECTICUT
On Route #63

PERMIT NO. 29
U. S. POSTAGE
PAID
Sec. 34.66 P. L. & R.
LITCHFIELD, CONN.

U. S. Dept. of Agriculture
Washington 25, D.C. Library

FORM 3547 REQUESTED